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BROWDER, FORD NOMINATED

'SITDOWN' IN SF WAREHOUSE WINS VICTORY

200 Are Still Out in Nine
Houses; Report Vandeleur
In Move to Hinder
Struggle Lcl
By 38-44

SAN FRANCISCO.—The first
sit-down strike in this part
of the country forced the McKesson-
Langley-Michaels drug warehouse
to reinstate a worker who had
been fired for activity in the
Warehousemen's Union.

Ninety men were involved in
the three-hour strike, which ended
successfully with the rein-
statement of the discharged union
man. The company had re-
fused to meet with union offi-
cials, and the president of the
Industrial Association came in to
settle the strike.

Two hundred members of the
union still remain on strike, for
a 44-hour week, and wages of
62½ cents an hour, among other
demands. The strike affected
nine hardware, household and ho-
tel supply warehouses. The
spirit of the strikers is strong
and cooperation is being given
by the teamsters. Two of the
struck houses settled last week.

It is reported that Edward Van
deleur, secretary of the San
Francisco Labor Council, noted
for his reactionary policies is
moving to split the strike ranks
and to hinder the organization
drive of the Warehousemen's Union
by aiming to obtain a sepa-
rate charter for the warehouse
clerks. In the houses already
struck, all employees have come
out under the banner of the
Warehousemen's Union.

Drought Bringing Farmers Tragedy

CHICAGO.—The drought
spreading across the Western
plains has brought the farmers
more suffering than any catas-
trophe yet known. Federal re-
lief authorities term the present
drought worse than that of
1934.

One hundred degrees of heat,
 parching the wheat and corn
crops, are making the huge
stretches of farm area ghostly
in appearance, with cattle dying
like flies. Large areas in the
Dakotas have no crop at all. All
of Kansas, much of Nebraska,
and Iowa, and large portions of
adjacent states have been hit.

Instead of rushing immediate
relief WPA authorities planned
a "study" of drought aid. Har-
ry L. Hopkins, WPA head, did
not plan to meet with WPA of-
ficials until Tuesday, June 30,
on the question. The meeting will
take place in St. Paul, Minn.

Prices on many food staples
are expected to jump tremen-
dously as a result of the drought.
Corn, bread, meat supplies are
expected to rise most rapidly in
price, thus adding suffering of
the city consumers to that of the
farmers.

The suffering of the farmers
is intensified because early this
year state and national govern-
ments instituted a campaign to
cut the farmers off relief rolls.

JUDGE REFUSES PLEA

SAN FRANCISCO.—Plea of
the International Labor Defense
to have the exorbitant bail of
\$2500 reduced to \$1000 in the
deportation case against George
Geoffrin on "subversive charges,"
was denied here last week by
Federal Judge Michael J. Roche.
The judge said no evidence sub-
mitted would prompt him to in-
terfere with a federal ruling
which jumped Geoffrin's bail.

100,000 Nanking Troops Join Rebels; French Strike Hits Munition Plants

POWERS MANEUVERING TO FORM "LEAGUE WITHOUT TEETH"

From Kweichow province in China comes the report that
100,000 crack troops, comprising a third of the Nanking
Army, have revolted against the dictatorship of Chiang Kai-
shek and joined with Cantonese forces in a united front against
Japan.

Japanese troops in the North are reported preparing an
immediate offensive against China in the hope of striking be-
fore the anti-Japanese forces have time to unite and solidify
their ranks.

From Geneva it is announced
Emperor Haile Selassie will re-
turn to Ethiopia and resume
warfare against the Italian in-
vaders immediately after the
present League session adjourns.
All Western and South-Western
Ethiopia remains loyal to the
Emperor and armed forces are
still mobilized awaiting the strate-
gic moment for attack.

The French strike campaign
has spread to naval shipyards
and the munition factories of
St. Nazaire and Lorraine. Strikes
have closed 450 Riviera hotels
and owners are declaring a lock-
out in retaliation.

FASCIST STRATEGY

Colonel de la Rocque, leader of
the fascist Croix de Feu (Cross
of Fire) organization has trans-
formed his storm troop army
into a political party to evade
the dissolution order of the
Chamber of Deputies. Several
bitter street clashes have oc-
curred between fascists and
workers.

Rightists are making every ef-
fort through their control of fi-
nances to precipitate an eco-
nomic crisis that will provide
an excuse for a fascist uprising.
Meanwhile, they are exerting
every means of bribery and
strategy to create a split in the
People's Front. Jacques Doriot, a
renegade expelled from the Com-
munist Party over a year ago, is
being utilized by the rightists to
organize a pseudo Left party op-
posing the united front.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS

Gears have been oiled for a
hasty removal of sanctions against
Italy when the League of Na-
tions meets in Geneva.

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Johnstone Tells Convention of Epic Members' Swing Toward Labor Party

Thousands of people through-
out California heard the accept-
ance speeches of Browder and
Ford over the radio on Sunday.
In San Francisco 1000 assem-
bled at Jefferson Park to hear
the broadcast. Communist candi-
dates in San Francisco spoke
after the broadcasts.

In Southern California station
KECA sent out the speeches
following the receipt of thou-
sands of post cards in the office
of Earl C. Anthony, Inc., own-
ers of the radio system.

On Saturday, following two
days of uninterrupted telephone
calls, the manager of the Los An-
geles station assured Emma Cut-
ler, Communist candidate for
Congress in the 13th District,
who headed a delegation, that the
Browder speech would be re-
leased. The broadcast was cut
by National to a half hour. For
some reason the talk by Foster
was not broadcast, as had been
the arrangement.

Roy Hudson, member of the
Central Committee of the Com-
munist Party, and leader among
maritime workers, showed the
importance of the fight for in-
dustrial unionism to the sea-
men, longshoremen, and other

WILL HE WIN LEMKE—YES; MANAGER—NO

ROYAL OAK, Mich.—One day
after his campaign manager ad-
mitted that "we won't win this
year," William Lemke, "Union
Party" candidate for the presi-
dency, predicted victory for him-
self in November.

"The Union Party will carry
two-thirds of the states," said
Lemke. "After my election the
old parties will merge into one
conservative group. I shall win
the presidential election because
there is too much dissatisfaction
within the ranks of both old parties."

Lemke issued the statement
after conferring with his nomi-
nator, Father Charles Coughlin,
fascist radio priest.

Usher L. Burdick, Lemke's
campaign manager, had stated
in Washington: "We won't win
this year. Watch out for us in
1940 or 1944. We're here to stay."

TOWNSEND TICKET

In Philadelphia Dr. F. E. Town-
send, old-age pension leader, in-
dicated he might launch his own
presidential candidate, decision
on which is to be reached at the
Townsend convention in Cleve-
land, July 15-19.

"We may nominate a
man of our own," said Town-
send. "We would have to move
very rapidly, of course, to get
registered. We would not get
on the ballot in some states, but
in those we could endorse other
candidates for the presidency."

The doctor claimed the Town-
send vote would total 20,000,000.

MOBILIZATION ACCELERATES ANTI-CS DRIVE

Give Instructions for Filing
Petitions; L. A. and S. F.
Report Thousands
Of Signatures

Thousands of signatures on
initiative petitions for repeal of
the Criminal Syndicalism Act,
were indicated in early and in-
complete tabulations on the state-
wide mobilization last Saturday
and Sunday, as the repeal cam-
paign entered the final stages.
Accelerated by the California-
wide drive on June 27 and 28,
the State Conference for Repeal
of the C. S. Act issued an ap-
peal for daily mobilizations for
signatures between now and July
23rd, final date for filing peti-
tions, when 240,000 signatures
must be recorded.

FILING DATA

Instructions for precincting and
filing the petitions were issued
by Herbert Nugent, State Con-
ference secretary, as follows:

"All petitions must be filed
with the County Clerk or Reg-
istrar of Voters in the county
where they were collected by a
person or persons authorized by
the Central C.S. Office, 68 Haight
street, San Francisco. If no one
in your county has yet been se-
lected to make the filings, write
at once for such authorization,
giving name of voter to be au-
thorized."

"The first filing will be made
in the various counties on July
3rd. In case petitions are not
available on that date, the first
filing may be made any day up
to July 9. ALL PETITIONS
TO BE FILED ON THE FIRST
FILING MUST BE FILED IN A
GIVEN COUNTY IN ONE DAY."

CONTINUE DRIVE

"Immediately after the first
filing, report the exact number
of signatures filed, together with
your plans for continuing the
campaign, to the Conference Of-
fice, 68 Haight street, San Fran-
cisco."

"Wherever County Committees
have already been set up, the
Committees should take charge
of precincting. Consult the
County Clerk for information
and aid in this work. He will
have maps and books to make
the work easier."

"After the first filing, continue
the campaign, collecting signa-
tures, drawing into the work as
many organizations and indi-
viduals as possible. Collect pe-
titions as fast as they are filled,
have them precincting, keep them
in a safe place, and await word
from the Central Office when to
make the FINAL FILING. The
final filing must be made no
later than July 23. However,
await word from the C. S. Cen-
tral Office before making the
final filing."

"Notify the Central Office of
all work. The campaign must
be speeded if it is to succeed!"

L. A. REPORTS GOOD

Los Angeles reported well-
filled petitions pouring into the
offices of the Southern Califor-
nia Councils for Constitutional
Rights as a result of the two-day
mobilization, but Rose Chernin,
secretary, stated no accurate re-
port would be available for a
few days.

In San Francisco, signature
collectors circulated the petitions
among the waterfront union
members, in Golden Gate Park,
at the beach, and at various
parks and street corners.

A committee of International
Longshoremen's Association Aux-
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Cal. Jobless Meet Ready

SAN FRANCISCO, June 30.—
Representatives of the Califor-
nia State Federation of Unem-
ployed Organizations and the
Workers Alliance of California
yesterday reached an agreement
on details of organization and
convention arrangements for the
projected unification convention
to be held in Los Angeles on
July 17. The previous date for
the convention, originally set for
one week earlier, was advanced
to make preparations more
thorough.

The convention will be jointly
organized by both organizations.
Attempts are being made to have
Lasser and Herbert Benjamin,
respectively national president
and national organizer of the
Workers' Alliance present at the
convention. Prominent speakers
from unemployed organizations
and American Federation of La-
bor unions and a State Assembly-
man will address a huge public
mass meeting which will open
the convention.

Organizational representation,
endorsed by the National Work-
ers' Alliance and accepted by
both participating groups, is as
follows:

1) State Executive, 25 mem-
bers: eight of them from the
Workers' Alliance.

2) Representation at conven-
tion on equal basis: two dele-
gates for first 50 members, one
for each 50 or major part of 50
thereafter.

3) State officials: Calif. State
Federation to have President,
2nd Vice President, State Organi-
zational Secretary, Secretary-
Treasurer, one Field Organizer;
Workers' Alliance to have 1st
and 3rd Vice Presidents and
Field Organizer.

Preparations for this histor-
ical important convention are pro-
ceeding immediately on a basis
of joint activity.

BANKERS THREATEN SUIT AGAINST COMMUNISTS

SACRAMENTO.—Speaking for
the banker-industrial rulers, I.
R. Wall, of Fresno, opened an
office of the "American Consti-
tutional League" here last week
and stated he would file an in-
junction suit to restrain Com-
munist Party candidate from run-
ning for Congress.

The action said Wall, would
charge, under the Criminal Syn-
dicalism Act, that the Communist
Party is "not political but mili-
tary, revolutionary, organized di-
rectly from Moscow."

JULY FOURTH PICNIC

SAN FRANCISCO.—Op-
portunity to combine cele-
bration of July 4th with
constructive work is afford-
ed every worker in the Bay
area. Funds derived from
the big 4th of July Picnic
will go to the benefit of the
Bay Area Workers' Train-
ing School.

The committee working
on arrangements announces
a lively program of enter-
tainment will be provided as
well as food in abundance.
A variety of International
dishes will be available in
addition to the regular bar-
becue.

It will be held at Big
Oaks Park, two miles West
of Menlo Park on the Por-
tola Rd. Signs leading from
Menlo will direct workers
to the picnic grounds. Trucks
will provide transportation
from the International Book
Shop, 170 Golden Gate ave.,
leaving at intervals from
8:30 a. m. up to noon.

COMMUNIST CANDIDATES OPEN CAMPAIGN ON JULY 4TH; MILLIONS HEAR ACCEPTANCE TALKS OVER RADIO; 15,000 COMMUNISTS IN A. F. OF L.

Anita Whitney, California Leader, and Pat Chambers, Leader of
Agricultural Workers, Elected to National Campaign
Committee for Presidential Election

NEW YORK.—Earl Browder and James W. Ford were nominated on Sunday as
presidential and vice presidential candidates of the Communist Party, to the prolonged ap-
plause of 25,000 who jammed Madison Square Garden. Thousands were unable to get into
the vast hall, scene of the final, and nominating session of the five-day Communist Party
Convention.

The Communist campaign will be waged on the basis of the fight against fascism and
war, for the uniting of all oppressed sections of the people in this fight, and for the defense of
the democratic rights of the people.

Highlights of Earl Browder Report Calling for Building People's Front

The direct issue of the 1936 elections is not Socialism or Capital-
ism but rather Democracy or Fascism. At the same time we em-
phasize and will always emphasize that a consistent struggle for
democracy and progress leads inevitably and in the not distant
future to Socialist Revolution.

The Republican Party, headed by Landon and Knox, is unques-
tionably representing the full reactionary program. William Ran-
dolph Hearst has formulated that program with greatest clarity, has
pursued it with the most vicious and obstinate energy. Hearst
named the Republican ticket already in August 1935. Morgan, the
du Ponts, Mellon, all the most reactionary circles of Wall Street,
are fully behind Landon and Knox. The platform of the Republi-
can Party, behind a thin smoke-screen of tepid liberalism, con-
tains all the essentials of Hearst's program, including its demagoguery.

The Communist Party declares without qualification that the
Landon-Hearst-Wall Street ticket is the chief enemy of the lib-
erties, peace, and prosperity of the American people. Its victory
would carry our country a long way on the road to fascism and
war.

Roosevelt and his administration are trying to pursue a middle
course between these two opposite fundamental directions of policy.
On the one hand, they try to keep mass support by certain small
concessions to the needs and demands of the people. On the other
hand, they answer the pressure and attacks of the reactionary
forces by greater concessions in that direction. Especially in the
last year, Roosevelt's course has been a series of retreats before
the offensive of reaction. His administration is allowing itself to be
dragged more and more onto the path of Hearst.

The Farmer-Labor Party in 1936 will concentrate on state and
Congressional elections, in an effort to send a bloc of real people's
Congressmen to Washington, to fight for the fundamental program
of progress.

It had long been the hope of our Party that we would be able
to go into the Presidential elections this year with a Farmer-Labor
national ticket. Already in May it had become clear that this was
impossible. The great majority of organizations, composing the
Farmer-Labor movement, while breaking with the old parties, had
decided to follow the policy of the big progressive unions of the
Committee for Industrial Organization, in supporting Roosevelt for
re-election.

The Communist Party declared that it seriously disagreed with
this policy of dependence upon Roosevelt. We did not, however,
withdraw from full participation in this rapidly growing movement
for the Farmer-Labor Party. We are fully prepared to continue
and develop our united front relations with those who support
Roosevelt, reserving our disagreement on this question. Our united
front with these organizations and groups has the solid foundation
of complete agreement with them that the Republican Party with
its Hearst-Liberty League allies, is the main enemy that must be
defeated at all costs.

The Communist Party must use the opportunity of this election
campaign to smash once and for all the superstition, which has been
embodied in a maze of court decisions having the force of law, that
our Party is an advocate of force and violence, that it is subject to
laws, (Federal immigration laws, state "criminal syndicalism laws"),
directed against such advocacy. The Communist Party is not a con-
spirative organization, it is an open revolutionary party, continuing
the traditions of 1776 and 1861; it is the only organization that is
really entitled by its program and work to designate itself as "sons
and daughters of the American revolution." Communists are not
anarchists, not terrorists. The Communist Party is a legal party
and defends its legality. Prohibition of advocacy of force and violence,
does not apply to the Communist Party; it is properly ap-
plied only to the Black Legion, the Ku Klux Klan, and other fascist
groupings, and to the strikebreaking agencies and the open shop
employers who use them, against the working class, who are re-
sponsible for the terrible toll of violence which shames our country.

Our independent ticket will be placed in the service of
creating that broader unity, the People's Front, it will promote the
Farmer-Labor Party in every way possible, it will base itself on the
growing mass movements in the states and Congressional districts
for Farmer-Labor tickets. Our campaign will be primarily on be-
half of the program of the People's Front. At the same time we
will carry on a mass campaign of agitation on a scale never before
attained, to teach the broad millions the meaning of Socialism,
of the working class revolution, of the full Communist program which
is the only final solution of the problems created for the population
by a dying capitalist system.

Robert Minor, Communist candi-
date for Governor of New
York, nominated Browder, and
"Mother" Ella Reeve Bloor, 74-
year old leader of the workers,
nominated Ford. Half hour ova-
tions followed each nominating
speech.

The great trade union and
Communist leader William Z.
Foster opened the nominating
session. The acceptance speeches
of Browder and Ford were heard
by unknown millions of people;
they were broadcast over the
two great radio networks—Na-
tional and Columbia. Mass meet-
ings in cities and towns through-
out the country listened to the
broadcasts.

Seconding speeches for Brow-
der's nomination included one by
Anita Whitney, state chairman
of the Communist Party in Cal-
ifornia. Included on the Brow-
der-Ford national campaign
committee are Anita Whitney
and Pat Chambers, leader of
agricultural workers struggles,
now in San Quentin on a criminal
syndicalism charge.

BROWDER OPENS CAMPAIGN JULY 4

Browder will open his cam-
paign on July 4 in Cleveland
and Akron, O., and Ford's cam-
paign will open on the same date
in Chicago.

William Weinstone, Commu-
nist Party district organizer in
Detroit, was chairman at the
nominating session.

There are about 15,000 Com-
munists in the A. F. of L. unions
now, reported Jack Stachel, mem-
ber of the Communist Party Central
Committee, at last Friday's ses-
sion of the convention. Stachel
challenged the A. F. of L. ex-
ecutive committee to hold a refer-
endum on industrial unionism.
He expressed confidence that
the huge majority of members
would favor industrial union-
ism.

15,000 COMMUNISTS IN AFL

The Communists in the A. F.
of L. unions at present represent
a seven-fold increase over the
number of Communists in the A.
F. of L. at the time of the 1934
Communist convention, Stachel
said. He said that the Commu-
nist Party supports the Commit-
tee for Industrial Organization,
because it is in the interests of
the American workers in its
progressive fight for industrial
unionism.

Around the 15,000 Communists
in the A. F. of L. are gathering
all the progressive forces in the
unions, he pointed out.

If the policies of the C. I. O.
were carried out, said Stachel,
10,000,000 workers could be or-
ganized within a short time.

The Convention elected eight
commissions which got down to
business on a working basis.

They were Commission on
Platform and Resolutions, head-
ed by Clarence Hathaway, editor
of the Daily Worker; Trade Un-
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NEW GAINS IN MASS PICKET POLICY IN L.A.

A. and P. Stores Agree Not to Buy Fixtures Made by Scab Firms; Buzzell Likes Alien Ban

LOS ANGELES, June 27.—Mass picketing of stores placed on the unfair list by the Los Angeles Central Labor Council resulted in another victory for the workers here this week when the A. and P. stores capitulated to the demands of the Council.

Secretary Buzzell reported that the A. and P. had agreed not to purchase fixtures manufactured by "scab" firms.

The Council has been picketing the stores every Saturday, with the striking Millmen maintaining a picket line at the stores on other days.

Furniture Workers, Local 1561, requested that the L. A. Young Spring Company, which is building a new plant here, be placed on the unfair list. Workers of out on strike.

The Council was asked to endorse a petition campaign to add an amendment to the state constitution which would limit the number of aliens to be employed by employers within a month.

"This is a very good move," Buzzell commented. "But I don't know whether this is the correct way to go about it or not."

The Allied Printing Trades Council delegates asked that the Van de Kamp's Bakeries, Famous Department Store, Stationers Corporation and the Safeway stores be placed on the unfair lists. The request was referred to the executive board with power to act.

Both President Sherman and Secretary Buzzell demanded of the printing trades delegates why their unions were not sending pickets out on Saturday. Sherman told the delegates that they could not expect firms to be placed on the unfair list and not assist in the picketing.

Ship Owners Get New Huge Subsidy

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Ship-owners sat smiling as the Senate, in its final hours of session passed two bills granting them subsidies of close to a half billion dollars.

The direct subsidy bill gives the shipowners \$392,620,372, and the Treasury Postoffice appropriation bill grants them an additional \$26,500,000 for continuing mail subsidies.

The direct subsidy measure would create a maritime commission of five members to administer the program, which is frankly admitted as aiming to provide additional vessels for use in war time.

Hear Reports OF THE National Convention

From ANITA WHITNEY, BILL SCHNEIDERMAN, LAWRENCE ROSS At a

Welcome Banquet Sat., July 11, 7 p.m.

121 HAIGHT STREET French Dinner - Good Program Admission 50c.

Starts Friday Matinee, July 3rd
GRAND International Theater
730 S. Grand Ave. Phone TUCKER 1516
Performances: 2:15 - 7 & 9 - Continuous Sunday from 1 p.m.
Matinees 35c - Evenings 35c - 40c

THE GRIPPING DRAMA OF SOVIET RUSSIA'S DARING AIRMEN
AMIKINO PRESENTS
"MEN ON WINGS"
MADE IN COOPERATION WITH THE MIGHTY AIR FLEET OF THE SOVIET UNION!!
RUSSIAN DIALOGUE ENGLISH TITLES

James W. Ford, Communist Candidate for Vice President



NEGRO LEADER from Harlem who enters the national campaign as running mate with Earl Browder. He spoke over national radio hookup, Sunday, June 28, at Party convention in New York.

VERY VAGUE IS ROOSEVELT IN '36 CAMPAIGN

PHILADELPHIA June 30.—Vague—Very vague—attacks against the "royalists of the economic order" were all that was remembered here today from President Franklin Delano Roosevelt's speech of acceptance of the Democratic nomination for reelection, which he delivered last Saturday night at Franklin field.

The platform drawn up by the Democrats was a masterpiece of misleading demagoguery in which the New Dealers took credit unto themselves for non-existent accomplishments, repeatedly using the phrase: "The work (farmer, veteran, youth, business man) has been returned to the road of freedom and prosperity. We will keep him on that road."

Expected to elaborate and clarify a number of points in the platform particularly touching on the usurped power of the Supreme Court in nullifying social legislation, President Roosevelt was even more unclear than the planks in the platform. Vice-President John N. Garner said virtually nothing in his speech.

In succeeding issues, the Western Worker will analyze the vital issues affecting the American people—which were left confused and unanswered by the Democratic convention—in a series of articles, first of which, appearing in this issue on Page 3, discusses the Supreme Court issue.

Cut Pension for those Who Own Homes; Age Limit Reduced

SACRAMENTO—Old people who own their own homes or who receive free rent will have their \$35 monthly pension cut by \$7 beginning July 1. The age limit for pensions has been reduced from 70 to 65, and the required length of residence in California from 15 to 5 years. The state and the counties will pay less for old age pensions, due to the Federal Old Age Security Law, providing \$15 a month out of federal funds for each pension recipient.

Have you registered Communist yet? You have only until July 16.

Graft Becomes Big Issue in Elections

SAN FRANCISCO, June 30.—Rapidly becoming a central political issue in the election campaigns, the odorous graft situation last week was involving more and more leading politicians throughout California.

In the San Francisco police graft probe, "silent cops" received a rebuff when the California Supreme Court yesterday announced denial of the policemen's petition for a writ of prohibition to prevent the police commission from trying and dismissing them.

The Assembly audit-finance committee, investigating liquor graft, adjourned yesterday in Los Angeles, but will reconvene in San Francisco on July 24. Chairman Leon Donihue declared: "From the evidence disclosed it is apparent that California liquor control has been tinged with elements of political corruption."

LOS ANGELES.—"Governor Frank Merriam either acted incompetently or as a party to a corrupt scheme" in state liquor control matters!

The Assembly Liquor Inquiry Committee last week concurred in this assertion by Assemblyman C. Don Field, of Glendale, who stated the Governor "should be held to account by the legislature."

Assemblyman Donihue described members of the State Board of Equalization, under fire in the probe, as "subpoena dodgers" who are hiding "behind the grave of a subordinate." The subordinate was Elwood Squires, late assistant secretary of the board.

Big Packers Demand Return of AAA Taxes

CHICAGO—Armour and Co., one of the "big four" of Chicago meat packers has filed a claim for return of more than \$40,000,000 in processing taxes. Packers here have already filed claims for return of more than \$86,000,000. This is one effect of the Supreme Court decision against the AAA.

After you have read your copy of the Western Worker, pass it on.

Congratulations TO OUR Comrades

Jack and Miriam (Brooks) Moore and
Greetings to the New Baby Girl
Morene Theoda

From the Boyle Heights and West Side Sections of the Freiheit Gezag Verein.

Sacramento Official Treats Rights Bill As 'Scrap of Paper'

SACRAMENTO, June 25.—The Bill of Rights is just a "scrap of paper" to City Manager Dean and his assistant, Oakley, here in Sacramento.

Although the Republican convention was broadcast, and the Democratic convention is being broadcast via loud speaker from the Plaza here, the Communist Party was denied its application similarly to broadcast the nomination ceremonies from the Communist national convention in New York City, yesterday.

"We have suppressed Communism from the Plaza for two years," stated Oakley, "and we're going to continue suppressing it."

Youth Send 3000 To Huge Congress

CLEVELAND—The vital problems facing American youth today will be discussed at the Third American Youth Congress to be held here July 3-5. The Congress will be held in the same hall in which Herbert Hoover, at the recent Republican convention, "thanked God" that the U. S. Supreme Court had killed any efforts of Congress to deal with vital social problems.

3000 delegates, representing 1500 organizations and 2,500,000 young people, will attend the Congress. The Congress, states William H. Hinkley, national chairman of the American Youth Congress, "will decide upon a specific program to alleviate the desperate economic plight in which millions of young people find themselves at this time."

National Youth Administrator Aubrey Williams, and Congressman Young of Ohio will address the Congress, but most of the speakers will be representatives of youth organizations of all political beliefs. Angelo Herndon, young Negro unemployed leader, under an 18-20 year sentence in Georgia, will also speak. A delegate from the Sailors Union in San Pedro will be present.

New Fleet Command As Navy Building Is Increased to Record

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Elevation of Admiral Hepburn to command of the U. S. Fleet is part of the plans to prepare and build the navy to close to war-time strength. Hepburn replaces the aged Admiral Reeves. Hepburn's promotion comes at a time when the fleet is attaining its greatest strength in the country's history. Shipyards on both coasts are working steadily to complete construction of aircraft carriers, destroyers, cruisers and submarines. Both officers and crew personnel are being increased.

CALIFORNIA UNEMPLOYED MUST HALT RELIEF PLUNDER

Mass Protest Is Only Action Merriam and His Crew Can Understand

By Alex Noral
Organizational Secretary,
State Federation of Unemployed.

The relief money appropriated for the unemployed of California is being plundered for extreme high salaries for the top state relief officials. This has been revealed through a report submitted by Miss Ruth Turner, one of a committee from San Francisco, who represents the Welfare Department, pointing out that the raising of these salaries took place immediately after the Special Session of the Legislature had appropriated additional funds to care for the unemployed.

At this special session the California State Federation of Unemployed Organizations sponsored a resolution, introduced by Assemblyman Clark, which was unanimously adopted by the assembly. This resolution called upon the State Relief Administration to restore the former SERA budget No. 4, which would have meant an increase of approximately 33 per cent to the unemployed.

POLITICAL BRIBERY

Governor Merriam and his state relief officials have deliberately ignored the will of the Assembly and the demands of the unemployed. Their answer to this demand has been to bribe the political machine with higher salaries in the top brackets. This is nothing but political graft at the expense of the unemployed.

The governor has also ignored another resolution passed by the Assembly, calling upon him to place two representatives from

Marine Federation Sets Up Anti-War Group

SEATTLE.—The Maritime Federation's northwest district council has given the war plans of imperialist countries a bit of a setback.

A permanent committee to investigate the shipment of war materials from northwest ports to Japan and other aggressor nations was set up last week at a meeting of the Federation's district council, following the report on the Northwest Congress Against War and Fascism.

Elected on the committee are Harry Pilcher, Everett longshoreman; Walter Stack, Marine Fireman, and Forrest Holland, Boom-Men, Seattle.

The Council endorsed the Committee for Industrial Organization, and voted \$40 toward expenses of a delegate to the American Youth Congress in Cleveland, July 3-5.

A subdistrict council may be formed in Aberdeen. Its need was mentioned by John Davis, Sailors' business agent in Gray's Harbor.

San Diego Jobless Win Schools' Use

SAN DIEGO.—The Unemployed Workers Protective Union here has won its long fight for the use of the schools for meetings. Ray Reynolds, chairman of the Board of Education, wrote the union that the use of the schools was granted on a trial basis "contingent on the abiding of rules laid down by the school board."

This action followed a board meeting on June 15th when a large number of U. W. P. U. members and 30 teachers from the Teachers Association, demanded use of the schools by the unemployed.

The board refused to reach a decision at that time, due chiefly to underground pressure brought by reactionary elements headed by General Van Deman, former head of the U. S. Military Intelligence Department; Eddie Goodman, deputy district attorney; Von Buelow and C. Tenant Lee.

Although this group brought much pressure through one board member, Vesta Meulhies known for her reactionary tendencies, the board was finally compelled to capitulate to the unemployed.

the State Federation of Unemployed on the State Relief Commission. Such representation on the Commission would either block such plundering of relief money, or else expose the baby starvers for just what they are. We would be in a better position to fight for adequate relief for the unemployed, and that is precisely why the governor ignores this question.

Under the former SERA budget No. 4, relief for the average family was \$54.89 per month. Today it is as low as \$37.50—a reduction of \$17.39 a month, \$4.60 a week, or approximately 33 per cent. Under this staggering reduction in relief, men, women and children are suffering actual hunger and miserable housing conditions.

LIVES ENDANGERED

San Francisco Health Authorities have long ago admitted that this outrageous cut in relief was endangering the lives of the unemployed, pointing out that "this lowering of living conditions is evidenced by the fact in San Francisco during the last half of 1935 and the first two months of 1936 . . . there have been a rise in infant mortality rate, increased malnutrition among school children, and a sharp increase of cases needing free clinic care."

In the face of such facts, the governor has the gally nerve to increase the already extremely high salaries of the relief officials while he refuses to give adequate relief to the unemployed. This brazen insult to the unemployed must be answered; it must be answered with the only language that the governor and relief officials seem to understand, with a mass campaign to force increased budgets; through mass protests and demonstrations at the relief offices.

The unemployed, through their organizations, must immediately start speaking the language that will make the governor and his bureaucratic relief officials understand. They must not starve peacefully while relief officials and politicians plunder the relief appropriations. The unemployed organizations should immediately consider the question of becoming a factor in the political life of this state, electing their own representatives to the State Legislature; doing so will be the best guarantee that adequate relief will be had, and relief moneys protected from grafters.

Mobilization for C.S. Repeal Drive

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inary workers, including Mrs. Eastman and Mrs. May Moberg, collected signatures and sold hundreds of C. S. repeal buttons and pamphlets to the maritime workers.

Stands were set up in the Miscellaneous Employees' Union, Local 110, San Francisco, on the union's election day, Saturday, J. L. A. Warehousemen, Local 79-44, hundreds of whose members are now on strike, circulated the petitions on the picket lines.

Crews of workers covered scores of San Francisco precincts with petitions, literature and buttons. Petitions were circulated in Jefferson Park Sunday at the mass meeting to hear Earl Browder and James Ford, Communist presidential candidates, on a national hook-up from the Communist Party Convention at Madison Square Garden, New York. Elaine Black, International Labor Defense secretary, sold 100 repeal buttons to the listeners.

Anti-Lobbying Bill's Death Bosses' Break

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Big industrial and financial interests are celebrating the killing of the anti-lobbying bill introduced in the House and Senate by Rep. Smith and Senator Black, Republicans and Democrats joined to table the bill. It would have required lobbyists to register and account for their receipts and expenditures.

Boycott the anti-union fascist Hearst Press. Read the workers' paper the Western Worker.

INTERNATIONAL WAR SITUATION NEARING CRISIS

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tions convenes on June 30. Systematic wrecking of the League as an instrument of collective security has been the conscious objective of fascist nations over a long period of time. This object now has the support of Britain whose revisionist policy calls for a "League without teeth," which would amount to a co-ordinating council of warlike nations.

German newspapers have been advised by Nazi authorities to prepare for an intense offensive against the League of Nations.

Thousands of British workers massed in Hyde Park at a mammoth open air meeting, thundering their disapproval of Britain's move to end sanctions. The meeting was addressed by Clement Attlee and Herbert Morrison, Labor Party members, who voiced strong pro-sanctionist sentiments.

PALESTINE REVOLT

Thousands of additional British troops are pouring from transports into Palestine to oppose the rapidly mounting Arab independence movement. Clashes between Arabs and British troops took a toll of 54 killed and 98 wounded in the last week. 50,000 Arabs have threatened to cross the river Jordan and enter Palestine to aid their countrymen in their struggle.

The Japanese propaganda machine in North China and at home is foaming with tirades against Chinese and Soviet hostilities and border incidents. (More International News on Page 5.)

Johnstone Tells Epics Sentiment For Labor Party

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are developing a new leadership and broadening their program in line with the development of the Farmer-Labor Party."

He told the Convention of the developments at the May 10th conference, which he described as going "a step further in the direction of a Farmer-Labor Party than did the previous conference."

"One of the most important tasks of our Party election campaign will be to make this conference as broad and representative as possible, especially the drawing in of the trade unions, farm organizations and the extremely important task of drawing in the Townsend Clubs as well as the Epic movement together with our Party and the Socialist Party officially represented."

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Communist Party Candidates Open Campaign July 4

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on and Unemployment, William Z. Foster, chairman, and Herbert Benjamin, secretary; Women's Commission, headed by "Mother" Bloor; Negro Commission, with James W. Ford as chairman; Commission on Education, with Roy Hudson chairman and A. Markoff, director of the Workers School, secretary; Youth Commission, Max Bechacht and Gil Green as heads, and a publicity Commission headed by M. J. Ogin, editor of the Freiheit.

HUGE APPLAUSE FOR FORD

The speech of James W. Ford, outstanding Negro Communist leader and the Party's vice-presidential candidate, aroused a storm of wild enthusiasm on Friday.

He branded the fascists and reactionaries everywhere as the worst enemies of the Negro people. "The Negro people are becoming deeply conscious of the sinister forces of reaction that are rising in the country," said Ford. "It is terrible will be the fate of the Negroes if the Liberty Leaguers, who have financed anti-Negro organizations throughout the country, come to power."

Ford pointed out the fascist Italian invasion of Ethiopia as an omen of fascism's meaning to the Negro people. He challenged the slanders of the fascists in regard to the Negroes.

"Let me say this to the fascists: We are not an inferior people. You keep us in an inferior position, it is true. But from now on we declare that we are preparing our forces, by defending our immediate interests, to take the offensive against greater oppression. We shall defend our national interests, we shall fight to preserve human rights and liberties."

Show Huge Wealth of Communication Trust

WASHINGTON, D. C.—American Telephone and Telegraph officials have their fingers in the pie of companies which had total assets of about \$34,000,000 on Dec. 31, 1934, a Federal Communications Commission investigator asserted.

The Bell system has money deposited in 27 per cent of all financial institutions in the country, it was also revealed.

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NEW YOUTH GROUP

SAN FRANCISCO—Organization of a new group for discussion of social, political, and economic problems facing young people today, is planned for Friday, July 3rd, at 8 p. m., at the Colonial Club, 847 Fillmore street. Refreshments will be served, and dancing will follow the discussion.

WANTED—Someone in L. A. to edit and prepare manuscript for publication! A big job. Address Herman Lowenstein, 2019 So Grand ave., Los Angeles.

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Anti-Nazi Youth In Hunger Strike

NEW YORK CITY—Imprisoned on Ellis Island since June 12th when he surrendered for deportation to Nazi Germany, Otto Richter, 21, refugee from the Hitler terror has gone on a hunger strike to protest the Labor Department's refusal to set bail for his release.

The American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born released Richter's letter to Commissioner of Immigration Rudolph Reimer, in charge of Ellis Island:

"This is to inform you that I am, since this morning, on a hunger strike to protest against the refusal of my wife's request to release me on bail. I herewith demand that reasonable bail be set in my case. I will remain on the hunger strike until my demands are fulfilled.

"(Signed) Otto Richter—Room 211."

Richter fled from Germany in 1933 after being beaten up by Nazi storm troopers on the night of the Reichstag fire. He was arrested and held for deportation during the San Francisco General Strike, charged with illegal entry. He is married to an American girl.

People Draft Grover Johnson As Labor's Candidate for District Attorney in Los Angeles County

LOS ANGELES, June 25.—"Grover Johnson for district attorney!"

This is the slogan of progressives, liberals, labor unionists, unemployed—in fact, all persons in Los Angeles who are interested in seeing the country freed from control of crooked politicians and gamblers, and in the preservation of democratic rights.

Johnson, beloved for his relentless fight to secure freedom for thousands of working class victims of a rich exploiting minority, is not seeking office. He has virtually been drafted by thousands of defenders of civil liberties, who see in Johnson the one man whose previous record qualifies him to replace Burton Pitts, the incumbent, who dances to the crack of the Hearst and Chandler whip.

C. S. ATTORNEY

As attorney for the International Labor Defense he has fought tirelessly the battle of the oppressed. Throughout the Sacramento Criminal Syndicalism trial, Johnson was associate counsel with Leo Gallagher, internationally famous labor defender.

He is running for office on a non-partisan ticket and has received full endorsement of the Communist Party.

Johnson's countless supporters point out that he quit a \$5000 a year practice to accept his present job with the International Labor Defense which pays him \$100 a month. "Could such a man be bribed?" they ask.

KIDNAPED

Twice he was kidnapped and beaten by vigilante mobs for daring to defend workers, and in each instance he defied their threats and returned to defend his clients.

Coming to California in 1930, Johnson has since specialized in trial of cases involving rights of workers to organize, strike and picket; in the discriminating enforcement of our laws; and in the denial of civil and constitutional rights, such as free press, speech, and assembly.

He alone has defended more than 1000 persons in Southern California charged with offenses growing out of their efforts to better their working and living conditions by organizing, striking and picketing.

JOHNSON BELIEVES THAT:

- 1.—Human and natural rights should be enforced first.
 - 2.—The Chamber of Commerce represents a small predatory group whose activities are inimical to the welfare of the common people as those of the vice-lords and gamblers.
 - 3.—That the greatest menace to American institutions lies in the vigilante activities of Fascist groups perpetrated under the mask of super-patriotism.
 - 4.—Ninety-five percent of the people of Los Angeles County would benefit if Los Angeles became a 100 percent unionized "closed-shop" town.
- If elected Johnson pledges himself to:

JOHNSON PLEDGES

- 1.—Clean out the grafters and gamblers, since their illegal profits enable them to corrupt our government.
- 2.—Cause a grand jury investigation of the third degree methods used by the police against the poor and defenseless.
- 3.—Prosecute loan sharks as diligently as bank robbers.
- 4.—Prosecute all persons implicated in commission of acts of vigilantism or lynching, whether they be in uniform or plain clothes.
- 5.—Protect the rights of labor to organize, strike, picket, and bargain collectively.
- 6.—Enforce laws enacted for the protection of labor such as minimum wages, maximum hours, safety appliances, sanitary working conditions and failure of employers to carry industrial accident insurance, none of which has been enforced to date.
- 7.—Insist upon the equal and uniform protection and enforcement of our laws to all people regardless of race, color, creed, or social or financial status.

DISABLED VET

Johnson is 43 years of age, married, and has children attending Belmont high school and the University of California at Los Angeles. He was educated at the Universities of North Dakota, Montana and Stanford. He is a member of the Disabled American Veterans of the World

C. P. Candidates Qualified; Mrs. Keckler Enters

All Communist candidates for office in California have qualified according to legal requirements and will appear on the ballot, according to word received by Geo. Maurer, Communist state campaign manager, from Deputy Charles J. Hagerty of the secretary of State's office.

These candidates, with one exception, were listed in the last issue of the Western Worker. The additional candidate is Mrs. Bessie A. Keckler, of El Cajon, San Diego County, who is running for the assembly in the 80th District. She will oppose the Republican incumbent, Charles W. Stream.

'Private' Job Is Sweaty Speed-Up To WPA Worker

By A Worker Correspondent

LOS ANGELES, June 25.—The Griffith company, with a contract to extend Sepulveda Boulevard through to San Fernando Road, near the town of San Fernando, is working about 800 ex-W P A workers who have the honor to be considered "privately employed." Wages are \$3 per day, and every excuse possible is taken to declare a holiday without pay and no chance to make it up.

This work is the same old grind wheel barrow, pick and shovel except that wheelbarrows are equipped with rubber balloon tires and are much larger than commonly used.

Another distinction is that here speed-up is being practiced in all its glory. On one of the hottest days this year, when the men naturally slowed down (this was noticed by check on the day's output), the men were told the next day that they must "snap into it" or a new crew would be on the job.

"HOLIDAY"

The vice-president of the company died about a week ago and the company declared a holiday in his memory—but it turned out to be a holiday at the men's expense.

The next day the sub-foreman came around collecting money for flowers. This collection was not handled in the usual manner, but the worker's name was called and he was asked how much he would give and a record kept of the amount.

SHOWING SPUNK

Wages average about \$72 a month, which is enough more than the \$55 on the W P A that the workers seem willing to stand almost any hardship rather than make any objection. However, lately with the hotter weather, the tendency to push the men still faster is bringing results and the workers are beginning to show spunk. Also the day off and the flowers have not been forgotten.

It's a real Fascist set-up and the men are working under a great handicap for organization. But if the company keeps pushing it is just a question of time when the voices of the P. W. U. men on the job will not be heard in vain.

War. Elected on the Democratic ticket, he served two terms as district attorney of Lake County, Montana.

As district attorney of that Montana county he brought about a reduction of 40 per cent in county expenditures by filing accusations against county supervisors and removing grafters from office personally, and not by proxy, he has successfully prosecuted hundreds of criminal cases. His slogan has ever been "Fight for the common people and they will fight for you."

ROOSEVELT IN RETREAT FROM '9 OLD MEN'

Democratic Plank Just Talks Against Supreme Court; Byron Scott Flays Stand

By John Broman

"We have sought and will continue to seek to meet these problems through legislation within the constitution.

"If these problems cannot be effectively solved by legislation within the Constitution, we shall seek such clarifying amendment as will assure to the legislatures of the several States and to the Congress of the United States each within its proper jurisdiction, the power to enact those laws which the States and Federal Legislatures, within their respective spheres, shall find necessary, in order adequately to regulate commerce, protect public health and safety and safeguard economic security. Thus we propose to maintain the letter and spirit of the Constitution."

WEASELING

And that, working people of America, is how the Democrats and President Roosevelt are trying to weasel out of their abysmal failure to protect the living standards of all of us, their fine words to the contrary notwithstanding!

Never intended to help genuinely the miserable lot of the vast majority of the people, the backbone of the nation, and never in fact helping more than slightly, the "New Deal" has practically all been tossed into the ashcan by the "nine old men" of the Supreme Court, who dance to the tune called by the Liberty League and Wall Street.

And Roosevelt, beyond a few miserable words, has never lifted a finger against the Supreme Court and its unprecedented actions of autocracy!

TEA WITH WALL STREET

When the N.R.A. was voided, the A.A.A. was exterminated, the Guffey Coal Bill was kicked out, the New York State minimum wage law for women and children squashed—where was Roosevelt and the "brain trust?" They were issuing press releases attacking the reactionary forces—and having tea with Wall Street!

Two federal circuits have cracked down on the Wagner Labor Disputes Act, and it's a cinch the Supreme Court will kill it for good when they get a whack at it. Roosevelt is as silent as the grafting cops of San Francisco.

JUST A PROMISE

The Democrats are trying to lure the working class into their following, by boastful assertions and by roseate promises of what they have done and will do for the oppressed. They promise constitutional amendment to permit social legislation, but it's just a promise. Let Byron N. Scott, progressive congressman from California speak:

"We've already had all the proof we need that a constitutional amendment is necessary to legislate minimum wages and maximum hours. And the platform should have said so."

Even with a strong and determined effort to curb the power of the Supreme Court, which certainly cannot be expected from the Democratic Party, it would take at least a year in which to obtain the necessary ratification by three-fourths, or 36, of the states.

Only the Communist Party and the various state Farmer-Labor parties fights with the full determination to rally the masses in the nation and in the several states to demand the removal of autocratic powers from the infamous "nine old men."

California Groups Sending Delegates To Youth Congress

SAN DIEGO, Calif., June 18.—A left-wing theatre movement has been born here with the appearance of the Labor Players. Beginning two and a half months ago with nine or ten young people, it has grown to 19 already and has nearly a dozen short plays ready for production.

Half of these have been put on before organizations in the last month, particularly the Unemployed Workers' Protective Union, the American Student Union, the I. L. D., and Workers Picnics.

Four short plays from the New York Theater hit "Parade"

Harold J. Ashe



In the 14th District, Ashe will seek election to Congress on the Communist ticket. Formerly state secretary of the Socialist Party, he received 30,000 votes as a Communist for secretary of state in 1934, is now campaign manager in Los Angeles.

Prize Awaits Best 'Sub-Getter' for Western Worker

SAN FRANCISCO, June 26.—

Determined to build the circulation of the Western Worker as one of the most effective ways of popularizing Communist Party candidates in the coming elections, the Downtown Section here has inaugurated a socialist competition among its units for the securing of subscriptions to the newspaper.

To the winning comrade in the winning unit will go a prize—"The Critique of the Gotha Program," by Karl Marx. The competition will end on Aug. 1.

The Party members in this section, who have been carrying on extensive election campaign work on the popular issues of the working people in the 20th Assembly District, anticipate a considerable number of subscriptions to result from their competition.

Other Communist Party sections throughout California are urged to develop similar socialist competition, among individual comrades and among the sections themselves, as one of the best possible means of bringing forward the Communist platform and candidates in the 1936 elections.

FARMER-LABOR PARTY FAVORED BY DEMOCRAT

SAN FRANCISCO —Favoring the building of a Farmer-Labor Party John D. Burns is seeking the Democratic nomination for Assembly in the 20th District against the Republican-Democratic incumbent, Thomas A. Maloney.

Burns states that he stands for the repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Act, for the protection of the civil rights of the people, for labor's constitutional rights, for the 30-hour week without reduction in pay, and for the United Front against war and fascism.

He is a member of Local 54 of the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, and past president of Local 45 of the same international.

Coughlin Group in Gallagher Ovation

INGLEWOOD, Calif., June 25.—Indication of the strong race Leo Gallagher, famed labor defense attorney, will make for the office of Superior Judge, Office No. 13, was given here last Sunday afternoon at a Union for Social Justice meeting of 500 in the Inglewood Bowl.

R. C. W. Friday was introduced as a judicial candidate and received a scattered applause.

Gallagher was then introduced and received a real ovation. After the meeting, a half dozen people came to Gallagher to wish him luck in his campaign against the labor-hating incumbent, Judge Arthur Grum.

have been produced; they are, namely, "The Dead Cow," "Tabloid Reds," "The Last Jackass," and "The Home of the Brave." Other plays being produced at the present time by the Labor Players for organizations are "The Martyr," by Mike Quin, "Unity," by Oscar Ryan, and "Two Women," by Dan Taylor.

BACK LINTNER IN SAN MATEO ELECTION RACE

Militant Trade Unionist for Supervisor on United Political Action Platform

REDWOOD CITY, June 27.—Frank Lintner, Menlo Park carpenter and squab raiser, was endorsed from San Mateo County by Local 77 of the Public Works and Unemployed Union, of which he is a charter member.

Lintner has adopted as his platform the one drawn up by the San Mateo County Conference for United Progressive Political Action, held in the San Mateo Labor Temple June 14th last. He is a staunch advocate for repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Act, and has filed two initiative petitions in the current drive.

ALWAYS UNIONIST

A trade union member all his working life in the Ship Fitters, Longshoremen, Machinist and Marine Firemen, Lintner at present is a member of Carpenter's Local 162, working on the Mills Field W P A project. In his local he has waged an unceasing fight against the reactionary business agent, Joe Cambiano.

For the past three years, Lintner has been an active fighter in unemployed struggles, having headed numerous grievance committees before local, county and district relief administrative bodies. He is 38 years old and has lived in San Mateo County for 13 years.

Ask Supreme Court Reconsider Decision On Min. Wage Act

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Considering of the decision holding the New York minimum wage law unconstitutional has been asked of the Supreme Court.

The petition was filed by Warden Moorhead, of the prison in which Joseph Tipaldo was confined when he started action which finally led to the Supreme Court decision. The petition said the court's decision left some doubt as to whether the court actually reaffirmed the decision on the basis of its 1923 decision condemning the District of Columbia wage law.

Emma Cutler



Against "Hearstman," Charles Kramer, incumbent in the 13th District, who sponsored the vicious Kramer Sedition Bill, Emma Cutler is the Communist candidate for Congress. Active in the agricultural strikes of Imperial Valley and San Joaquin Valley, she is carrying on a militant working-class campaign.

Chief Davis Sued For False Arrest

LOS ANGELES, June 26.—Police Chief James E. Davis, today faced a \$29,000 damage suit for false arrest.

Marion Elliott, son of Rev. Claude H. Elliott, charged in the complaint that Davis and a squad of police went to the Elliott home at 11th street and Maple avenue, and brandishing sawed-off shot guns, automatic pistols, and sub-machine guns, arrested the plaintiff, his father and brother.

Elliott was accused of robbing a filling station at San Luis Obispo. He maintains that he was asleep at the time with his father and brother in a Santa Barbara hotel.

The complaint charged that the three were taken to jail in irons, photographed and finger-printed like common felons, and that young Elliott was subjected to the tortures of the third degree.

WAGE INCREASES

GLENDALE, June 26.—Demanding that salaries of all city employees be restored to their pre-depression level a group of citizens, led by ministers, merchants and workers, appeared before the city council yesterday. In addition a petition bearing the names of many merchants and urging wage restorations was presented.

For Minimum Wage Laws and for 30-Hour Week Without Reduction In Pay—Support Communist Party!

(Editorial)

Politicians used to spout loud and long about the "American standard of living." Since 1929 they have found other things to spout about. The Democratic Party claims it has put the worker on the "road to freedom and prosperity," that millions of unemployed have been returned to work, while the Republican Party-Liberty League combine demagogically shouts it will bring back prosperity from "around the corner."

Twelve to fourteen million jobless, millions of workers on the bare subsistence level, impoverished farmers—all throw the lie back into the Republican face and Democratic face alike.

Only in the Communist Party platform can be found a plank that guarantees a real struggle for a truly American standard of living, guarantees with teeth in them that will stick if enacted into law. The following plank is specific and complete:

"4. For a minimum wage law guaranteeing a decent standard of living to industrial and agricultural workers. For the six-hour day and five-day week, without reduction in weekly earnings."

The 30-hour week with no reduction in pay is one of the paramount demands of the California working people, as well as throughout the nation. It would mean that hundreds of thousands of jobless would get jobs, not at the expense of those who are working now, but at the expense of the big corporations and banks that can afford to pay.

The Communist Party does not rely upon words alone, but primarily upon deeds, upon the organized strength of the working class to get such demands as these enacted into law and to see that they are enforced after they are on the statute books.

THE COMMUNIST PLATFORM IS YOUR PLATFORM! REGISTER COMMUNIST BEFORE JULY 16TH AND FIGHT FOR IT!

COUNCILMAN IN HOT REJECTION OF DAVIS' GIFT

P. P. Christensen Refuses to Accept Complimentary Tickets to Trials For Olympics

LOS ANGELES, June 29.—Parley Parker Christensen, Epic city councilman and candidate for the Democratic nomination to Congress in the 13th District against the labor-hating Charles Kramer, last week rejected eight complimentary tickets to Olympic Games trials, which had been sent him by Police Chief Davis.

Christensen not only rejected the tickets, but scorched the police chief with the following letter:

Mr. James E. Davis, Chief of Police, City.

On return to my desk, I find 8 complimentary tickets sent to me by you for the Olympic Track and Field events at the Coliseum on Friday and Saturday, June 26th and 27th.

While properly appreciative of the motive in sending me these customary courtesy tickets, I regret that I must return them unused. More than personal reasons demand this course.

You are well aware that not many months since I presented a resolution in the Council protesting against our participation in activities concerned with these Olympics being held in a Nazi-land. My whole system of thinking, being essentially liberal and democratic, is appalled at the thought of associating with any Fascist undertakings. I believe I truly interpret the views of an overwhelming majority of my constituents in rejecting it.

Another and equally important reason why I do not wish to avail myself of these tickets is the sizable number of complaints that I have received recently from various citizens, auto drivers, shop keepers and others in my district, who claim undue influence of city's uniformed law officers in "selling" tickets for this and similar so-called benefit events. This sort of "selling," under the circumstances too well known to need description, amounts to pure intimidation, which, in dealing with other classes of law evaders, we call a "racket."

I am quite sensible of the fact that this salesmanship flare of our police forces, unless curbed reasonably soon, will need to be dealt with by some disciplinary action or legal enactment on the floor of the City Council. When that time comes I shall not hesitate to remember that in my belief and knowledge, the duties imposed upon our police officers to act as ticket brokers of a sort, are as just as odious to the more honest men in the force, as they are repugnant to the sense of propriety and decency of other citizens.

Respectfully yours,
Parley Parker Christensen
Councilman Ninth District

Ashe Leads Protest Against Shipping of Jobless Out of L. A.

LOS ANGELES, June 26.—Unemployed, liberals progressives and church leaders will appear before the Board of Supervisors Monday, June 29th, to protest removal of 1700 workers from the relief rolls to be "shipped" to agricultural fields beyond the county borders.

Such workers would be automatically disfranchised and unable to vote at either the primaries or finals.

Harold Ashe Communist candidate for Congress in the 14th District, will address the supervisors on behalf of the victims of the banker-farm owners.

2,500 Old People to Get Pensions Raised

SAN FRANCISCO—As a result of liberation of the old-age pension law voted by the special session of the legislature last spring, more than 2500 old people here will receive raises averaging \$7 a month on July 1st.

The new regulation entitles all eligible persons over 65 to \$35 a month, less deductions made for outside income, free rent and home ownership. Eventually 5000 aged are expected to be on the rolls.

Two Kinds of Union Organizing Campaigns

There are two kinds of union organizing campaigns. One involves a lot of talk, and little action; the other gets right down to brass tacks and goes into action.

The sponsors of the recent California Agricultural Conference in Stockton announced that their purpose was to bring California's 250,000 miserably paid agricultural workers into the A. F. of L. Since then, nothing much has happened in the way of an organization drive.

They would do well to learn a few lessons from the great campaign to organize the country's 500,000 steel workers, now under way. When the Committee for Industrial Organization finally won over the officials of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers, no time was lost in getting into action.

A Steel Workers' Organizing Committee was immediately set up. The United Mine Workers of America donated \$500,000 toward the drive; other unions donated sums of money. The support of all organized labor was immediately sought.

The responsibility for the organization drive was definitely placed on the shoulders of the Steel Workers' Organizing Committee, consisting of representatives of several big internationals, the Amalgamated Ass'n., and representatives of the C. I. O.

National headquarters were set up in Pittsburgh, regional headquarters set up elsewhere. A concentration point to start the drive—the Western Pennsylvania area, was picked.

Two hundred organizers were placed in the field in 10 days. Organizers were loaned by the United Mine Workers, Amalgamated Clothing Workers, etc.

That's what you call an organization campaign.

A Threat to California Organized Labor, Which Teaches a Lesson

The open shop and fascist-minded big industrial and financial interests of California have seized on the strike of hardware warehousemen in San Francisco to begin a campaign aimed at the crushing of organized labor in this state. They have enlisted even the alleged "liberal" San Francisco News, alongside the Hearst press, as shown in a column by Arthur Caylor the other day.

These reactionaries profess to see in the warehouse strike, which is led by Warehousemen's Local 37-44 of the I. L. A., a plot by Harry Bridges and other militant maritime union leaders to "make San Francisco a ghost town."

For some reason, which they do not specify, Harry Bridges and the other militant leaders want to seize control of San Francisco, perhaps to establish a dictatorship here and secede from the United States.

The Caylor Column gives the subtle suggestion to the employers that fascist-minded organizations like the Industrial Association, the Waterfront Employers Association and the Chamber of Commerce had better establish a strong bosses' united front, to "stop the Bridges forces."

The warehousemen are demanding a decent living wage, and protection in the form of the closed shop. Caylor admits their demands are "not overwhelming." But the opportunity had to be seized to provoke a new reign of terror against organized labor.

Caylor's advice to the employers—for a strong united front—must be taken seriously by organized labor in the

Bay area and in all California, namely that the strongest unity of organized labor is necessary to prevent the smashing of all genuine unions, a threat clearly to be seen in the current anti-union agitation in the boss press in San Francisco, Los Angeles, Long Beach, and other cities in the state.

Clearing the Path To WAR and Conquest

Behind a screen of pretended confusion, the major world powers are laying out the plans of a new world conflict with as much calm deliberation as an architect designs a building. Friction, competition and mistrust between the bargaining nations exists in great plenty. But the bargaining itself is proceeding along clear-cut lines.

Great Britain and America control the bulk of finances and raw materials. Germany, Italy, Japan, Austria and Poland are the belligerent nations which are planning a unified war of conquest. The greatest concern of the industrialists of Britain and America is that this conquest shall keep off their own skirts.

Careful marking out of specified areas for fascist conquest, understandings as to divisions of loot figured down to a hair, all these necessary preliminaries are the subject of secret conferences throughout Europe, and will provide as infamous a page to history as the numerous "now it can be told" exposures that followed the last World War.

The following list of accomplishments will testify plainly to the working out of a pre-conceived design.

1.—Systematic wrecking of the League of Nations and of every peace guarantee resultant from the last World War.

2.—The projected substitution of new "guarantees" which leave the way open for conquest against the smaller nations of Europe and the Soviet Union.

3.—Construction of huge military machines by fascist nations, in contravention of all after-war treaties; the materials and, to a large extent the finances, being supplied by Britain and America. Meanwhile, Britain and America indulging in a surface show of "indignation" and "alarm" over the development.

4.—Completion of war pacts which unite Germany, Italy, Japan, Poland and Austria in military understandings.

5.—Extension of Japanese rule all the way into Inner-Mongolia and the establishment of military bases for an attack on Outer-Mongolia and the U. S. S. R., without any real opposition from America, Britain or the League of Nations, aside from the customary "face-savers" of "indignation" and "alarm."

6.—Removal of sanctions on Italy by President Roosevelt and failure to place any embargo against huge shipments of munitions and materials to Japan.

7.—Understandings between Britain and Italy as to spheres of military, air and naval influence in the Mediterranean.

Against this methodical progress toward wars of conquest, is reared a wall of public opinion that is rapidly transforming itself into organized resistance against war and fascism. The capitalist nations must reckon with populations informed and disillusioned as to the merits of international wars. The spectre of revolt hovers over every European and Asiatic country, and the plotting powers face the prospect of their wars of conquest being converted into social revolutions.

COMMUNISM IS THE AMERICANISM OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY.

Browder Report to Convention Urges Fight Against Hearst-Liberty League Republicans

PEOPLE CANNOT DEPEND ON ROOSEVELT TO FIGHT FORCES OF REACTION WHO OPEN ROAD TO FASCISM IN U. S.

This is the third installment of the draft resolution on the report of Earl Browder, general secretary, to the Ninth Convention of the Communist Party of America.

The United Front and Trade Union Unity

1. Ever wider circles of workers are coming to realize the correctness of the declaration of the 7th World Congress—

that at the present historical stage it is the main and immediate task of the international labor movement to establish the united fighting front of the working class.

The question of the united front has already become a vital issue among the wide masses of workers and toilers in this country and the Communist Party is coming to be recognized by ever wide masses as the outstanding champion of the united front.

However, there is still lack of sufficient appreciation of what must be the starting point and main content of the united front. It is therefore necessary to explain and demonstrate in practice that—

"The defense of the immediate economic and political interests of the working class, the defense of the latter against fascism, must be the starting point and form the main content of the workers' united front in all capitalist countries."

2. Our struggle for the united front with the Socialist Party has made certain progress. United action between the two parties, involving broad circles of workers and toilers, was achieved on such important issues as the liberation of Herndon, the defense of the Scottsboro boys, and in solidifying the progressive forces in various trade unions. But these are only beginnings showing the great possibilities of united action. The beginnings of joint work between Socialists and Communists resulted in the unification of the unemployed movement and the student movement. Closely connected with these united actions and stimulated by them is the further leftward development of the Socialist Party and the growing differentiation between the genuine lefts and the reactionary right wing.

The defeat of the Old Guard in the S. P. is a progressive development. It is a direct result of the Old Guard's reactionary opposition to the united front, its counter-revolutionary Hearstian attitude to the Soviet Union and its social-democratic policies generally. The Waldman group and its projected Social-Democratic Federation stand exposed as splitters and disrupters in the labor movement and must be combatted as the main enemy among Socialists of the united front of the working class and its struggles against the capitalist offensive.

Old Guard Defeat

Several factors are militating against the more rapid progress of the united front with the Socialist Party and its further leftward development. These are: (a) the still prevailing hesitation among influential elements of the left Socialists to take up boldly the struggle for the united fighting front of the working class as the main and immediate task of the labor movement; (b) the increasing obstruction of counter-revolutionary Trotskyist and Old Guard influences parading in the garb of "lefts" who are especially active in sowing enmity to the Soviet Union and thus working directly into the hands of the fascist inciters of a counter-revolutionary war against the Socialist Fatherland; and (c) the vacillations and inconsistencies of Norman Thomas in the united front with the C. P. coupled with a favorable position on "organic unity" with counter-revolutionary Trotskyism.

The Thomas tendency of concessions and capitulation to Hoan creates certain dangers for the S. P. and for the united front. This collaboration was mainly responsible for the failure of the S. P. Cleveland Convention to widen the possibilities for united action between the Socialist and Communist Parties, as proposed by the C. P., and for the compromise platform which underestimates the dangers of reaction, leaves the door open for the idea "stick to Roosevelt if you want reforms," urges in effect Socialism without the Socialist revolution, weakens the fight for partial demands, and fails to make the fight for the Farmer-Labor Party a central issue in the election struggle. The continuation of Thomas' concessions to Hoan in questions of principle and on the united front, which spells concessions to the Right Wing, if not cobattled and checked by the genuine Lefts in the Socialist Party may produce a backsliding of the Socialist Party towards the pernicious mixture of Right Wingism and Trotskyism.

United Actions on Unions

Conscious of these developments, the Communists must redouble their work for the united front along the following lines: (a) they must continue to seek united ac-

tions especially in the shops, unions, other mass organizations and localities in defense of the immediate economic and political interests of the workers thus proving in practice the possibility and need of the united front; (b) they must assist patiently political and ideological differentiation from the left Socialists in reaching a clearer the reactionary Old Guard and from reformism; (c) they must expose firmly and thoroughly the counter-revolutionary influences of Trotskyism and Old Guardism in the garb of "lefts"; (d) while greeting and supporting every tangible move by Norman Thomas towards united action, we must never fail to point out to the workers that his vacillations and inconsistencies (concessions of principle to Hoan) are seriously hampering the growth of encourage the genuine lefts to assert their political independence and to press forward for the united front and to clearer revolutionary positions, utilizing fully the December referendum; (f) to seek to draw the Socialist Party organizations into joint work for local and state Farmer-Labor Party actions and to press forward for collaboration between the national organizations of the two parties in the election struggle and in the fight for a national Farmer-Labor Party; and (g) to work for joint actions in the struggle for peace while clarifying and combatting the present position of the S. P. on this vital question as a compromise between Roosevelt "neutrality," Trotskyism and confused left Socialism, a compromise which militates against an effective struggle against the fascist instigators of war.

Struggle for United Front

The Communist Party will continue with all energy, despite all obstacles, to work for the united front between the Communist and Socialist Parties. It will utilize all occasions to approach the National Committee of the Socialist Party for united Actions. And this the Communists will do "without for a moment giving up their independent work in the sphere of Communist education, organization and mobilization of the masses." The National Convention warns against all tendencies to slacken on this independent work—the most effective way of stimulating united action—as well as against all tendencies to mistake radical phrases for deeds.

3. Our struggle for trade union unity has made important progress. As a result, the efforts of the reactionaries to divide the workers by the use of Red-baiting are meeting with lesser and lesser success. The movement for industrial unionism and trade union democracy is making big headway. The progressive forces in the AFL are becoming more solidified and conscious of their aims. The immediate tasks confronting us in the struggle for trade union unity are: (a) to press forward more energetically on the issue of organizing the unorganized in the basic industries into industrial unions, democratically administered, and following a policy of class struggle. We must seek to isolate the reactionaries (auto, steel, etc.) who stand in the way of organizing the unorganized, demanding that the CIO pass over from words to deeds, carrying on independent work of educating and mobilizing the masses for the realization of this aim; we must strive to win the craft unions for the policy of industrial unionism and for the support of the C. I. O. The strengthening of the Maritime Federation and the Transport Workers Federation and similar federations of craft unions will be a great step forward in the fight for the industrial form of organization and in winning the craft unions in support of the C. I. O. (b) to raise sharply in the unions and among the workers generally the question of struggle for higher wages, shorter work-day and against speed-up. We must seek to widen and strengthen the wage movement to meet the increasing cost of living as one of the most important tasks at the present time; (c) to expose and combat all efforts of the Green-Hutchinson reactionaries to obstruct the organization of the unorganized into industrial unions and to split the AFL, to mobilize the masses to defeat the conspiracy of the reactionaries to split the trade union movement which would tremendously benefit the offensive of reaction, to work for a united and powerful AFL built upon industrial unions, democratically administered and following a policy of class struggle. Above all to fight for the organization of steel, auto and rubber into powerful industrial unions; (d) to expose the Green-Hutchinson clique as servants of the Hearst-Landon combination and to seek the defeat of the Green-Hutchinson clique in the AFL as the main enemies of the united struggle of the workers against their enemies; (e) to explain patiently to the workers (especially the organized labor movement) that the policy of opposing the Farmer-Labor Party and of depending upon Roosevelt weakens and divides labor, and to raise

more widely in all unions the struggle for the independence and unity of labor on the industrial and political fields.

Unification of Jobless

4. To promote further the struggle for the unification of the unemployed movements it is necessary to develop more systematically the daily struggles of the unemployed for their immediate demands. Only in such united daily actions in all localities will the unemployed movements become fully united. And on the basis of such mass struggles, we must develop further the growing mass movement for unemployment, old age and social insurance, for the Frazier-Lundeen Bills, and for the Marcantonio Bill. The chief task is to organize the utmost mass resistance to every attempt to cut relief and to seek systematic collaboration between Socialists and Communists as the best guarantee for the organization of such mass struggles.

5. The central task in promoting the unity of action of the Negro people remains the policy of bringing about a united Negro People's Front, as initiated by the Negro Congress. The success of this movement demands more intensive mass mobilization for daily struggles against Negro discriminations (in unions, jobs, relief, education, etc.), against lynching and for equal rights. The main practical tasks are to build the Negro Congress, to promote the organization of the Negro workers in the unions, to improve our work in the South and to develop the Negro leading personnel.

6. The struggle for unity of action of the toiling farmers is still in its very first beginnings. An outstanding weakness in this field of the united front is the lack of systematic daily mass struggles for the immediate economic and political interests of the toiling farmers, resulting from a failure to adopt new policies, forms of organizations. It is chiefly this weakness that enables the spokesmen of the rich farmers in alliance with Roosevelt to parade as the representatives of "all" farmers and in this way to submerge the demands and aspirations of the small farmer, the tenant and sharecropper, especially the Negroes, as well as the bulk of the middle farmers. To overcome this weakness, and to improve our work among the agricultural workers, is the chief task of the Communists on the agrarian field.

Youth Unity

7. Among the youth the struggle for the united front has made great advance. The further progress in this field will depend primarily upon the efforts of every Party organization, and of the Party as a whole, to make itself fully responsible for youth work and to render more assistance than ever before to the work of the YCL in realizing the line of the Sixth World Congress of the YCL, to create a united mass youth league. The utmost concentration is required for the building of the American Youth Congress and to organize mass struggles for the Youth Act.

8. Women's work must cease to be the concern only of some few women comrades. It must become in fact, not alone in words, the daily concern of the Party organization as a whole. A serious beginning has been made and it must now be followed up by concerted action of the Party to apply the millions of toiling women for the daily economic and political struggle for their special demands and for the demands of the working class and its allies. Especially we must work for the organization of women workers into the unions (Women's Trade Union League, etc.), for the development of struggles against the high cost of living, for peace and against fascism, and for the building up of leading personnel among women.

The Farmer-Labor Party

1. The Ninth National Convention reaffirms the decisions of the November Plenum of the C. C., which said:

"The building of a Farmer-Labor Party at the present time is the most burning need of the working class of America, of the toiling farmers and of the middle classes. The building of such a party is the only way in which the working people of this country can seriously undertake to improve their intolerable conditions, to shift the burden of the crisis back to the shoulders of the rich, and to ward off the growing menace of capitalist reaction, fascism and war. It is the only way in which the working people can make an effective stand for their own interests in the national elections of 1936."

2. We are now in the midst of a process of political realignment on a mass scale which inevitably affects the old capitalist parties. The two-party system continues to crack and these cracks are bound to become wider with the sharpening of the class struggle. The historically necessary separation of the American working class

from the capitalist parties is on its way but it is a painful process which is meeting with great obstacles. It is the central task of the Communists to overcome these obstacles and to bring about the separation of the working class from the capitalist parties without delay.

People's Front Problems

3. The movement for independent political action and for a Farmer-Labor Party is making serious headway among the workers, toiling farmers, Negroes and middle classes. Local movements for labor parties and farmer-labor parties are developing in many points. The idea of a People's Front against reaction, fascism and war, through a Farmer-Labor Party, is getting hold of wide masses of people. The support received by the Gotman resolution at the A. F. of L. Convention and, subsequently, the formation of the Farmer-Labor Progressive Federation in Wisconsin (though seriously weakened by insufficient labor leadership and failure to include the Communist Party), the leftward development of the Farmer-Labor Party of Minnesota, the painful successful struggles of the Epic and similar movements towards independent political actions—all these developments attest the vitality and spread of the movement for a Farmer-Labor Party. Indirectly, this is also seen in the fact that some of the opponents of the Farmer-Labor Party in the labor movement find it expedient to pay lip service to the labor party in general while opposing all practical measures towards its organization. The fact that Lewis, Hillman and Dubinsky found it necessary to organize Labor's Non-Partisan League and to publicly differentiate it from the official so-called labor committee of the Democratic Party is in itself a tribute, whether voluntary among the masses for independent political action and for a break with the capitalist parties.

Elections Problems

4. It has already been established that a Presidential Farmer-Labor ticket in 1936 was no longer possible. This resulted from the fact that the main body of the trade union movement, excepting the reactionaries, has thrown its support to the policy of re-electing Roosevelt; and to the additional fact that the Socialist Party did not join hands with the Communist Party in past months in prosecuting the campaign for the Farmer-Labor Party. Yet precisely because there will be no Farmer-Labor Party Presidential ticket in 1936 it becomes necessary more than before for the Socialist and Communist Parties to consult and work together in the election struggle and in the promotion of the movement for a Farmer-Labor Party. Only in this way can both parties fulfill their mission in this period of leading in the mobilization of the masses against capitalist reaction and against the Republican-Liberty League-Hearst combination and of crystallizing the maximum degree of independent political action by the working class and its allies in the course of the forthcoming crucial election struggles. At the present time it becomes of the utmost importance to carry out a joint struggle for the election of a strong bloc of Farmer-Labor Party Congressmen and for the winning of local governments (especially in one-industry towns) by Farmer-Labor Parties. The qualified endorsement of local labor parties by the Cleveland Convention of the Socialist Party constitutes a rejection of the Trotskyist position on this question, though Trotskyist obstruction is increasing. While totally inadequate in the present situation, the resolution of the Socialist Party Convention on the Farmer-Labor Party offers an opportunity for the genuine lefts to fight to bring in the Socialist Party as an effective force in the building of local labor parties and in the fight for electing a block of Farmer-Labor Party Congressmen. The formation of the Akron Labor Party, participated in by the Socialist Party and the Communist Party, together with the unions, and similar developments, will enable us to win the Socialist Party organizations to joint work for the Farmer-Labor Party.

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SOVIETS PROVIDING NEW FOSTER HOMES

MOSCOW.—Happier lives for orphans in the Soviet Union will develop from a law adopted by the central executive committee of the U. S. S. R. providing for removing thousands of children from asylums to be placed under guardianship of individual families.

The foster parents will be given monthly payments for support of their wards, and collective farm families will be given additional aid in purchasing livestock and in building houses for the collectives. Ages of children for adoption range from 5 months to 14 years. Guardianship will end at 16 years.

Persons undertaking guardianship for mercenary aims, and those neglecting adopted children, will face penalties.

Chinese Civil War May Develop Into Nation-wide Independence Revolution

Nanking Troops Rebelling Against Chiang Kai-shek

JAPAN EXTENDS RULE INTO MONGOLIA

HONG KONG, China.—Battles between Cantonese and Nanking troops are raging on the borders of Kwangsi and Kwangtung provinces.

At Hunan, 7,000 soldiers of Chiang Kai-shek's Army have rebelled and set themselves up as an anti-Japanese salvation army in solidarity with Cantonese troops. Scores of other rebellions in the Nanking Army have occurred in past weeks, particularly in the Northern provinces where whole regiments, bag and baggage, have gone over to the Red Army of Soviet China.

In marching a punitive expedition against South China provinces, which are demanding a war of defense against Japanese invasion, Chiang Kai-shek has flung the torch which, it is predicted, will set all China ablaze. Outraged by the Nanking dictator's continual betrayals to Japanese and other foreign powers, indignant at widespread suppression of civil rights, exasperated by unrelieved conditions of poverty and exploitation, the giant strength of the Chinese masses is uniting in demands for a Peoples government and resistance to Japanese aggression.

GERMAN MUNITIONS

Chiang, whose armies have been covertly subsidized by foreign powers, has just completed an agreement with Germany for the purchase of \$30,000,000 worth of arms and munitions, to be paid for in shipments of raw materials. The agreement is in the nature of a loan from Germany, since the arms are to be delivered immediately, but the raw materials to be delivered over a period of six years.

In North China, the powerful Chinese Red Army, seasoned by years of combat with the mercenary troops of Chiang Kai-shek, are ready to give full support to the people's movement for a united China and a war of defense. Nanking troops have recently refused to march against the Red forces.

INNER MONGOLIA

Inner Mongolia, under Japanese influence has declared its independence from China proper and established a Japanese-controlled government on the same pattern as Manchukuo. This plants the Japanese war machine still more firmly on the border of Outer Mongolia, which is bound to the Soviet Union by a mutual defense pact.

Japanese warships have been stationed at North China ports to prevent Chinese customs boats from collecting tariff from the importation of Chinese goods. The Japanese, under cover of naval and military forces, have been carrying on an intense campaign of smuggling with an eye to wrecking Chinese economy.

Japanese troops have invaded Peiping and are exercising virtual control over the city.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS IN DEADLOCK ABOUT DARDANELLES ISSUE

MONTREUX, Switzerland.—On the insistence of Great Britain, the League of Nations conference meeting here to discuss Turkey's demand that she be permitted to re-fortify the Dardanelles is being held behind closed doors.

Of key strategic values in event of war, the Dardanelles provide the only entrance to the Black Sea from the Mediterranean. Britain sacrificed thousands of lives to gain control of this "bottle-neck" during the World War. Terms of the Lausanne treaty forbade Turkey to fortify the straits.

In view of present fascist alliances which point toward conquest of Asia Minor and the smaller European Nations, Turkey is demanding the right, not only to fortify the Dardanelles, but to limit the traffic of ships through it.

TOTAL DISAGREEMENT

Present reports are based on leakage of information through the cracks in the mahogany conference door. They indicate that practically all powers are in disagreement over the issue for a variety of reasons.

The Soviet Union asks freedom for Soviet warships of all classes to pass in and out of the Black Sea. Otherwise, the Black Sea fleet would be isolated from the rest of the Soviet navy, marooned, in fact, in a veritable lake.

On the other hand, the Soviets contend that no nation which does not border on the Black Sea should be permitted to send warships through the straits unless on courtesy visits or to enforce League sanctions.

IMPERIALIST STAND

Britain and Japan contend that no restrictions should be placed on the warships of any nation, despite the fact that outside powers could have no other reason for sending fleets to the Black Sea than for aggression.

Italy, not participating in the conference, has sent word it will not recognize any arrangement, regardless of what the League delegates decide. Italy has constructed huge naval air bases on the Dodecanese islands just off the coast of Turkey.

Ignored



Pedro Albizu Campos, Puerto Rican independence leader. Demands of the destitute Puerto Rican people for freedom were ignored by congress when it adjourned without taking action on the pressing needs of the island. Wall Street exploitato of the island netted \$500,000,000 in profits and has left the population unemployed, starving and wracked by disease. The rape of Puerto Rico constitutes one of the most revolting and terrible crimes in the history of imperialism.

ATHLETES IN SOVIET UNION HAVE SPECIAL PHYSICAL INSTITUTE

All Citizens May Have Free Advice of Experts on What Sport They Are Best Fitted to Succeed In

Reprinted From The Moscow Daily News

Do you want to know whether you could achieve greater success in the 500 meter run than on the soccer field? If you wish to be a champion in some sport, if you want to know whether you would be much better off if you dropped ice skating and took up tennis instead?

There is one place in Moscow that attempts to solve such problems for you. This is the Institute of Physiotherapy and Physical Culture, which is situated on Petrovka 25. Organized a year ago by the Peoples Commissariat of Health of RSFSR, the institute is pursuing its work in the field of physical culture along three main lines.

SKILLED ADVICE

The medical control department occupies itself with such tricky problems as assisting the would-be athlete in choosing a sports "profession," deciding when an athlete has reached his best form, setting the date when an athlete who has been ill may begin training again and when he may participate in contests and studying athletic types with a view towards determining which types of persons are most suitable for the different sports.

Professor Ivanovsky, who heads this department, does not claim that upon examining a person, the institute can at present invariably pick the sport in which this individual will inevitably "make good." But he does believe that such type selection will become more or less of an exact science in the near future.

EXPERIENCE TEACHES

"We have compiled a mass of valuable data in the short time the institute has been in existence," he told the Moscow Daily News. "And as our data daily becomes more complete, so we achieve even greater accuracy in our diagnoses of sport types."

The healing department cures cases of rheumatism, heart trouble and bad digestion by the sole means of physical culture. This section of the institute also draws up plans of setting up exercises and recommends the proper sport for sanatorium patients.

BACK ON THEIR FEET

The traumatism department takes athletes who have been seriously injured and puts them back on their feet so that they may not only return to work but also continue their sporting activities. An upper floor in the institute has been converted into a combined hospital and sanatorium, where these injured sportsmen live until completely healed. It costs the institute 700 rubles a month to take care of each patient but the bill is footed by the government.

On odd days, any citizen, athlete or not, may receive a free and thorough examination and full information in regard to his health training regimes, diet and other questions connected with his participation in sports. Through the mail, the institute extends its assistance to all parts of the Soviet Union. Thousands of men and women athletes of Moscow send their sports problems by mail; all their letters are answered.

Moscow Daily News, May 14, 1936.

United States Navy Is Largest in the World

HUGE APPROPRIATIONS SET WORLD RECORD

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Determination of Wall Street to defend its investments abroad is well expressed in the recent attention being shown the U. S. Navy.

America is now the greatest naval power in the world by a considerable margin. Comparative strength of world navies can be seen from the following chart:

	No. of Ships	Obsolete	Being Built	Total
United States	342	87	84	513
Brit. Empire	303	146	49	498
Japan	211	148	36	395
France	209	144	38	391
Italy	189	119	34	342
Germany	61	32	37	130

America is spending more money on her navy than any other nation on earth. The following official U. S. Government figures indicate the proportions:

Recent U. S. Naval appropriations amounted to: 1934-35, \$440,604,669; 1935-36, \$463,057,040; 1936-37, \$529,125,806.

British appropriations were: 1934-35, \$275,000,000; 1935-36, \$292,000,000. Japanese appropriations were: 1934-35, \$231,600,000; 1935-36, \$263,800,000.

French appropriations were: 1934-35, \$115,500,000; 1935-36, \$114,000,000. Italian appropriations were: 1934-35, \$84,300,000; 1935-36, \$114,500,000.

War preparations under the Roosevelt government have set an all-time high for a peace-period. During June, 1935, some 68 war ships were being constructed out of WPA funds.

Many more funds are being used for naval building than are indicated in the official figures. During 1936, in addition to the regular naval appropriation, the Navy is receiving \$156,326,982 in allotments from emergency funds and \$25,197,575 from deficiency bills and WPA funds.

In addition to all this, another appropriation of \$38,000,000 was made for the improvement of fortifications on the Pacific Coast, at Hawaii, and at the Panama Canal, funds to the Coast Guard this year.

A Treasury Department appropriation of \$5,265,955 was made out of work relief funds, at Hawaii, and at the Panama Canal, funds to the Coast Guard this year.

In the face of these war expenditures, it is announced that Federal relief funds will be cut more than 50 per cent for the coming fiscal year.

CANTONESE FORCES WELL EQUIPPED TO WAR WITH NANKING

CANTON China.—Rumors that the rebellious province has submitted to the Nanking government and abandoned its demand for a war of resistance against Japan, are emphatically denied here.

General Chen Chia-tang, head of Kwangtung military forces has reaffirmed that if Nanking troops step across his border the result will be civil war.

Kwangtung covers an area about half the size of France and has a population of 36,000,000. It maintains an army of 250,000 a powerful air force and a navy. These troops are fully equipped with electrically operated, self directing anti-aircraft guns. General Chen has two arsenals, one in Canton and one six miles to the North, which were recently fully outfitted with European machinery. They are under the management of German and Czech munitions experts. All types of armaments are manufactured in cluding field guns, trench mortars, machine guns, rifles, pistols and ammunition.

A large airplane factory is operating in Canton. Engines are imported but the planes are built on the spot. The Canton government is expecting a shipment of six huge bombers recently ordered from Germany.

A Life and Death Matter



Otto Richter and his young American wife marched through the streets of New York with these placards in a last-minute, desperate effort to save his life. Ordered deported to fascist Germany, the young anti-Nazi would have faced the torture chambers of Hitler had not this demonstration resulted in a postponement. The order of deportation was for June 12.

French Strikers Arrest Fascist Provocateurs Blum Government to Increase Pay of Soldiers

ABOLISHMENT OF DEVIL'S ISLAND WILL BE INCLUDED AMONG OTHER SOCIAL REFORMS

PARIS, France.—The French cabinet has proposed doubling the pay of soldiers and sailors. The proposal will be submitted to Parliament and favorable action is expected immediately.

Although "doubling" has the sound of a substantial increase, the pay of the armed forces will still be extremely trivial and additional raises at a later date are probable. The wage at present amounts to 25 centimes per day, or about one and four-fifths cents.

French seamen at Marseilles who struck on the job and occupied 50 ships, from the mtsheads of which they flew red flags, have returned to work with all demands granted.

GREAT STRIKE VICTORY

The great French strike wave is reported on the decline with factories and shops reopening as rapidly as employers accede to the demands of the strikers. New strikes, however, are occurring daily in those sections where gains have not yet been achieved.

In the Pere Lachaise cemetery on the Mur des Federes, where the last defenders of the Paris Commune of 1871 fell, hundreds of wreaths and poppies have been hung by the victorious labor unions. Above them hangs a banner which proclaims in flaming letters six feet high: "The Commune Lives Again!"

The strike campaign, as well as achieving one of the greatest victories in the history of labor, was a magnificent demonstration of discipline and order. Practically no violence or injury marked the weeks of struggle during which the Blum government refused to permit the police or military to interfere.

PROVOCATEURS SUPPRESSED

Provocations by the fascists were frequent, but were efficiently suppressed by the workers themselves. Fascists decked themselves out with Socialist emblems—three small red arrows in their button holes—and mingled with the workers, offering them fire-arms and ammunition and urging them to violence. The workers seized and exposed between 600 and 700

of these provocateurs and turned them over to the police.

Membership in the trade unions has more than doubled and applications are pouring in so fast that issuance of cards has had to be limited to 5,000 per day. Membership in the Communist and Socialist Parties is increasing at a similar rate.

Upon the demand of the policemen, the Fascist prefect of police has been dismissed and thousands of Socialist gendarmes who had been dismissed in past years, have been reinstated on the force.

GUARDS ASK PURGE

Three quarters of the Paris Police now adhere to the People's Front. Meanwhile, the Republican Guard has asked that its officers be examined one by one in the presence of a shop committee made up of guardsmen.

The strike movement has spread into practically all corners of society and has not been without its humorous incidents. In the Riviera, 300 dance hall gigolos struck and threatened to occupy the Casino. A "sit-down" strike of restaurant and hotel employees caused Prince Andrew of Greece to ring the service bell in vain and finally go out and forage for his lunch.

PERTURBED PARASITE

Wealthy Parisians who know of no other form of existence than ringing bells summoning servants and having their every whim catered to found themselves marooned in unattended elegance. On one occasion, twenty patrons entered a cafe, ejected the seven strikers from the premises, and occupied the place themselves, proclaiming it a "counter revolution."

Main difficulty with this aristocratic militance is that the cooks can easily take over the parlor, since anyone can sit in a cushioned chair, but parlor parasites cannot take over the kitchen because they don't know how to cook.

PASSENGERS "SIT DOWN"

When Marseilles seamen struck up the red flags and staged their "sit down" strike passengers who were unable to embark invaded the steamship offices and "sat down" bag and baggage until transportation was made available.

Among the reforms which the Blum government propose to accomplish is abolition of the notorious "Devil's Island," the French penal colony in Guiana.

\$80,000,000 ARMY FOR PHILIPPINES

MANILA, P. I.—President Manuel Quezon has proclaimed Major General Douglas MacArthur, of the U. S. Army, as Field Marshal of the Philippine Army.

MacArthur has worked out an \$80,000,000 armaments program for the Philippines which includes universal compulsory military training. Although the regular army under the General's plan will comprise only 930 officers and 6,500 men, the reserve corps will be trained at a rate of 40,000 per year.

Terms of "independence" under which the United States granted the Philippines a Commonwealth government include the stipulation that the U. S. A. may expropriate property in the Philippines for public use, may maintain military reservations, and may call into service the military forces of the Philippines.

Right of Asylum Denied For Political Refugees

RICHTER AND OTHERS STILL IN DANGER

Statement issued by the American Committee for Protection of the Foreign Born, 100 Fifth ave., New York City.

Public protest against the violation of the right of asylum and the return of anti-Nazi to the vengeance of Hitler has been steadily mounting. After the Department ordered Otto Richter to surrender for deportation to Germany, this protest became so powerful that Richter's deportation was postponed and he was held at Ellis Island.

The Labor Department then issued a special release to the press, stating that it had granted stays of deportation to permit four refugees to depart "voluntarily" to some country other than Germany.

This was intended to convey the impression that there is no longer any danger that anti-Nazi refugees will be deported and executed in Hitler Germany. THIS IS NOT TRUE.

MUELLER GETS ORDER

Adam Mueller, who was thrown out of the German Consulate when he attempted to secure a passport permitting him to leave for another country, has been ordered to surrender at Ellis Island on June 23rd, for deportation to Germany on the S.S. "Volendam."

Otto Richter may be sent out at any moment without sufficient notice being given to those interested in his welfare to take any steps to stop his deportation, as was done by the Labor Department in the case of the anti-Nazi refugee Friedrich Beyerbach who was deported to Hitler Germany on October 10, 1934, on the S.S. Leviathan.

PRETENSE OF JUSTICE

This offer of "voluntary departure" to another country is an attempt on the part of the Labor Department to maintain a pretense of liberalism while pursuing a reactionary policy. After ordering these refugees deported to face death or persecution, the Department then attempts to place the blame upon them for failing to find an asylum elsewhere.

Eleven anti-Nazis face deportation and death in Hitler Germany. Save the lives of Otto Richter, Adam Mueller, Benno Martini and other anti-Fascists held for deportation. SEND TELEGRAMS TO FRANCES PERKINS, SECRETARY OF LABOR, DEMANDING THAT SHE RECOGNIZE THE RIGHT OF ASYLUM FOR POLITICAL REFUGEES IN THE UNITED STATES.

GEORGE KIDWELL TO CHAIRMAN SEN. NYE MEETING ON JULY 8

George P. Kidwell, prominent local labor leader and secretary of the Bakery Drivers' Union, will act as chairman at the mammoth mass meeting to be addressed by Senator Gerald P. Nye in Dreamland Auditorium on July 8, it was announced today. Senator Nye, who was head of the Senate Munitions Investigating Committee, is coming to San Francisco to speak on "America's Being Driven Toward War." The meeting will be under the auspices of the American League Against War and Fascism, which recently sponsored the appearance here of General Smedley D. Butler on the same topic.

The meeting is part of a nation-wide movement, supported by numerous social organizations, to keep America out of war. A large number of bay region associations are cooperating in making the meeting successful.

Senator Nye is expected to disclose un-revealed facts regarding the relation of big business interests with the various armaments programs and the waves of the "war preparedness" spirit. The manipulations of the war makers will be mercilessly exposed, it is expected.

In addition to the chairman and Senator Nye, it is expected that some 50 leaders in the movement to keep America out of war will occupy the platform, among them noted educators, labor leaders, publishers, and heads of various peace societies and women's organizations.

TWO SOVIET FILMS SHOWING IN CALIF.

Two outstanding Soviet film masterpieces are to be seen in California theatres.

"We are From Kronstadt," a picture dealing with the heroism of the Russian fleet during the revolution, opened Saturday, June 27th at the Clay International theatre in San Francisco.

"Men On Wings," an epic of the Soviet Union's conquest of the air will open at the Grand International theatre in Los Angeles on Friday, July 3rd.

UNEMPLOYMENT IN CHINA

NANKING, China.—According to a recent investigation, the number of unemployed in the 14 leading Chinese industrial cities is 2,565,813 persons. Some of the cities with the largest number of unemployed are Shanghai—610,710; Canton—630,230; and Peiping—500,935. Sin Wen Pao, May 28.

Born in a Better World



Strong, healthy Soviet kids—young citizens of the most democratic, the most prosperous, the most orderly nation on the face of the earth today. In their country, unemployment is unknown and all of the nation, including industries and farms, can be truly called "Of the people, by the people and for the people." Sons and daughters of workers in the granite quarries of Shalsk (above) are posing for an amateur photographer of their own age.

READERS SAY

FINGERPRINT MENACE

Western Worker,
Dear Comrades:
At the recent discussion held by unit 102, it was brought out that insufficient attention is being paid by the party to the menace of fingerprinting.

Since many of our comrades are unable to give reasons against this procedure. It is the recommendation of unit 102 that the Western Worker publish several articles on this question, giving detailed reasons why this measure must be defeated. We are quite certain that this information will be of value to the entire party and to all readers of our press.

Comradely yours
Unit 102
San Francisco, Calif.

"THE BROTHERHOOD OF EL DORADO"

Comrade Editor:
I haven't noticed "The Brotherhood of El Dorado," on your recommended list of films.

This is a thrilling heart-stirring picture of early California, depicting the savagery and brutality with which Americans robbed the Mexicans of their lands and holdings.

This film is especially recommended for those super-patriots who want to ship all Mexicans and aliens back to where they came from.

It's amazing that such a film can come from Hollywood. (Warner Baxter starred)

PUBLICIZING BROADCASTS

Western Worker,
Dear Comrades:

This is a copy of a postcard we made up and posted out, 25 of them; one to Detroit one to North Bend, one to Texas several to Arizona and the rest to California.

Could have sent out many more but no funds.

Anyhow, I'm hoping the broadcasts is not stopped at the California border line like the fascists stop the unemployed workers.

Your Comrades,
The C— Family,
Oakland Calif.

Note: The card bore an announcement of the broadcasts of the Communist Party National Convention on Sunday, June 28, 1936, from 1 to 2 p. m.

WITHDRAWAL OF U.S. FORCES FROM SOUTH CHINA IS REQUESTED

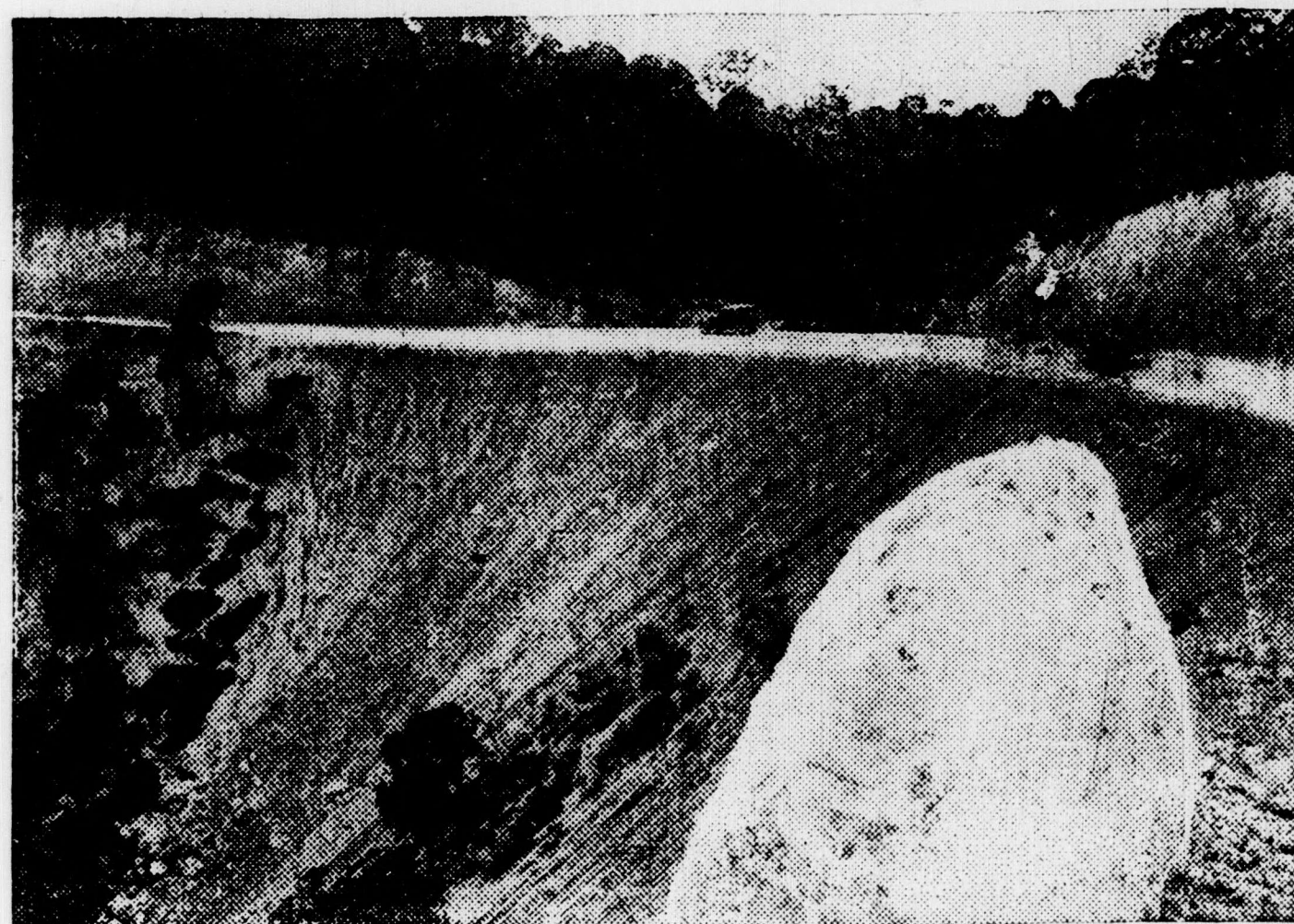
LOS ANGELES.—Requesting withdrawal of United States warships sent to South China "to help protect American financial interests, including large oil companies," members of the American Friends of the Chinese People, meeting at the Hollywood Conservatory of Music, drafted a letter to be sent to Secretary of State Cordell Hull.

The principal speaker was Norman David Hanwell, writer, who told how striking Chinese students engaged in anti-Japanese demonstrations in the northern provinces have their wills drawn up the day before the strike is called, so severe is the penalty for displeasing the traitorous Chiang Kai-shek, China's murderous dictator.

A new crime has been invented by the Chinese overlords of Northern China, the writer said. It is "national salvation," with which many students are charged after joining the national liberation movement.

Howell has recently returned from a two-years' tour of the Chinese interior.

New Highway to Mexico City



Isolation of Mexico from the United States is diminished by the great Pan-American Highway leading from the American border into Mexico City. Sharp curves, such as are pictured above, are plentiful; but tourists report traveling is smooth and satisfactory over the whole route. Already, young Americans have been reported to have hitch hiked all the way to the Mexican capital.

RESEARCH SCIENTIST DE KRUIF FEATURED IN YOUTH MAGAZINE

NEW YORK CITY.—The July issue of the CHAMPION of Youth, issued June 23rd, features Dr. Paul de Kruif, author of "The Microbe Hunters" and the currently popular "Why Keep Them Alive" in a leading article written especially for young people.

Dr. de Kruif as one of America's foremost research scientists and medical historians, has some important and brilliant advice to give young people in search of a medical or scientific career. "Not a week passes," de Kruif writes in his article, "without several letters coming to me from youngsters male and female, from fourteen years to twenty-four telling me that they've read my books, and that these books have helped them want to be searchers, or doctors but they haven't any money, and what shall they do." In his customary robust and intimate manner Dr. de Kruif tells why there is no opportunity in science, what the exact situation is, and offers what is perhaps the soundest and most friendly advice young people have ever received from men who lead in their chosen work.

INCREASE IN SOVIET AUTOS IS SCHEDULED

MOSCOW.—The Stakhanovite movement will bring real results in production of automobiles in the Soviet Union this year, according to plans revealed for construction of 161,500 automobiles in 1936 compared to 96,700 last year.

First sedans ever to be made here will be produced, the most luxurious type to be a seven-passenger closed-car to be produced by the Moscow Stalin Automobile Plant. It will have an eight-cylinder motor of 110 horsepower and a speed approaching 100 miles per hour. Four thousand of these will be produced.

First new sedans of the five-passenger type are scheduled to leave the assembly lines of the Gorki Automobile Plant soon. These cars will be of 52 horsepower and will total 13,000 in 1936.

A FEW TIPS ON THE LATEST MOVIES

Hollywood, Calif.—W. C. Fields in his latest picture "Poppy" scores a comedy success that we can recommend for an evening of hilarious entertainment.

Other pictures we can recommend with confidence are: "Mr. Deeds Goes To Town," with Garry Cooper; "Bullets Or Bullets," with Edward G. Robinson; "Fury," an exposure of lynch incitement; "The Ex-Mrs. Bradford," with William Powell; and the Soviet pictures, "Men on Wings," and "We Are From Kronstadt."

A couple to keep away from are: "Trapped By Television" and "Dancing Pirate." Both of them are disgusting flops.

CHICAGO NEWSPAPER FREE PRESS MURAL OMIT'S VITAL POINT

CHICAGO.—(FP)—Mounting a historical painting, 16x23, in the lobby of the Chicago Tribune Tower, showing stages in freedom of the press the Tribune, which calls itself "the world's greatest newspaper," omitted one significant quotation.

Though Socrates, Cicero, John Milton, James Madison and others are quoted the Tribune forgot to quote its former European correspondent George Seldes, who has written an authoritative and revealing book entitled "Freedom of the Press."

On page 233 of that book Seldes tells how he got some hot news by phone in Paris from Warsaw, which was scotched by the Polish embassy in Paris, which was an advertiser in the Paris edition of the Chicago Tribune. Seldes made a fuss with his boss and later the business office of the edition wrote him:

"Of course you are aware that we have an advertising contract with the Polish government amounting to, as I remember it about 150,000 francs and desire to continue it; on the other hand we want to print true news so that if you will conduct yourself accordingly, I would appreciate."

SHAKESPEARE AND SOVIETS

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R.—The Institute of Red Professor of Literature recently held a three day session here devoted entirely to discussion of Shakespeare's works. The meeting was preparatory to a projected European congress of Shakespeare students.

Professor Tcharksky pointed out during the session that in no other country are so many of the classics performed on the stage. Among them, Shakespeare hold a place of honor.

Bakesy Back Blubbering To Alibi Byington Ford

PEEPING TOM AFFAIR DISGUSTS CARMEL

CARMEL, Calif.—Captain Bakesy, the racketeering labor spy who recently bilked the San Francisco Industrial Association out of thousands of dollars by concocting a wild yarn about "Moscow gold" reaching the maritime unions through Carmel, again turned up here to address a closed meeting of the American Legion on June 22nd.

Byington Ford, local red-baiter and Commander of the Carmel Legion Post, who collaborated with Bakesy in the conspiracy, brought the spy back to help him save his face in view of widespread public censorship of the incident. The activities of Ford and Bakesy have been repudiated by the Carmel Legion Post and bitterly condemned in the local press. Bakesy had disappeared from the scene ever since a complete exposure of his racket appeared in the May issue 21st of the Western Worker.

THE HOUSE WITH EARS

Previously, Bakesy had hoodwinked the San Francisco Industrial Association into believing his yarn and financing an elaborate "Red Trap" in Carmel to catch the alleged "Reds." In league with Byington Ford, he rented a large house here, masqueraded under the name of Captain Sharkey, and sought to lure local residents into his trap. The house was completely wired with dictaphones.

In addition to this, Bakesy tried to fascinate his guests with a display of machine guns and other murderous paraphernalia calculated to appeal to their dispositions. He even tried to present a Tommy-gun to a local working man.

MANUFACTURING EVIDENCE

He employed a local youth to make a copper plaque with a hammer and sickle on it, and took this device back to San Francisco as evidence.

Ford acted as the go-between for the Industrial Association and the spy apparatus. Bakesy is one of the most notorious spies in American labor history and was the man who betrayed "Big Bill" Haywood during the days of the last war.

At the June 22nd meeting, Bakesy tried to clear Ford of his responsibility in the affair and also to give it some flavor of justification. Both efforts failed.

Bakesy proclaimed that his "investigation" had yielded all the information he was after. This conflicts with the fact that the Industrial Association, after discovering he was "pulling their leg," booted him out and abandoned the plot.

THE MAD HOUSE

He gave additional details about his fantastic "house of a million ears," describing how dictaphones were concealed in light fixtures, fireplaces and in the Christmas tree. It is even reputed he had one installed in the bath room. Byington Ford and others sat at the other end of the wire listening for sedition. Secretaries were on hand to take down every word, however trivial.

Inside the house, drinks were piled on guests in an effort to loosen their tongues. Later their finger prints were taken from the glasses. Moving pictures were taken unbeknownst to the visitors. Altogether Bakesy's residence could be described as a peeping-Tom's Paradise.

LEGION REPUDIATES

The local Legion Post addressed an official communication to the editors of the "Carmel Pine Cone," repudiating the activities of Bakesy and Ford and requesting that their sentiments be published. The news paper obliged in a long editorial exonerating the Legion Post, but adding a scorching condemnation of Ford's peeping Tom enterprise.

SUGGEST CUT TB CASES

LOS ANGELES.—Curtailement of treatment for tubercular patients at the Olive View Sanitarium has been suggested by County Superintendent of Charities Rex Thomson to the County Board of Supervisors.

Thomson would limit treatment at the institution exclusively for acute cases—generally hopeless cases—and deny preventive treatment of tuberculosis cases.

Emancipated



The only youth in the world that can face the future with pride, confidence and security are the youth of the Soviet Union. Equal opportunities for study, jobs for all, health, old age and unemployment insurance, a rising standard of living, and now the most democratic constitution and the most complete civil rights on earth. Above, girl athletes on parade.

UNITED COUNCIL TO FIGHT ANTI-JEWISH PROPAGANDA FORMS

San Francisco Jewish Organizations
Take Steps to Combat Growing Menace of Race Hatred

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif.—Reacting to the wave of anti-Jewish propaganda circulated by numerous so-called "patriotic" and potentially fascist groups, a permanent United Council to combat anti-semitism and Nazism has been established by the Jewish people of San Francisco.

The council, which was formed at a meeting at the Whitecomb Hotel on June 21st, proposes to build a united front of all Jewish and sympathetic organizations to combat anti-semitism.

Among those participating in the June 21st meeting were: Dr. Samuel Goldman, Dr. Samuel Hurwit, Rabbi Rudolph I. Toffee, Samuel Rosenfeld (of Los Angeles), Rabbi Jacob Weinstein, Phyllis Golinsky, George Shister and Hyman L. Hymson.

Proposals adopted were for formation of the Council, which is to consist of representatives from organizations and interested individuals; formation of a publicity committee to expose anti-semitic activities in this community and elsewhere; launching of an educational campaign; to support and help co-ordinate the defense programs of existing Jewish groups; to seek the affiliation of all groups interested in civil liberties and human rights.

The meeting also went on record favoring a boycott as a defense measure against Nazi Germany.

The meeting was attended by 300 visitors and delegates. The Council is already comprised by 75 delegates from 32 organizations.

It was announced that temporarily the Council address will be care of Dr. M. Peck, 722 Flood Bldg., San Francisco.

LOS ANGELES I. P. A. PUTS OUT BOOKLET

LOS ANGELES, Calif.—The Inter-Professional Association of Los Angeles has prepared and issued a small pamphlet giving a brief analysis of the California Unemployed Reserves Act, written in the form of a questionnaire.

Although the I. P. A., firmly advocate Social Security legislation of a much broader and more genuine nature than the Reserve Act, it points out that until such measures can be secured, the fullest advantage should be taken of what makeshift legislation exists.

Copies of the pamphlet at two cents each are obtainable from the Workers' Book store, 224 South Spring street, Los Angeles

WRITERS' UNION BAN ON REMINGTON-RANDI

NEW YORK CITY.—Fourteen hundred members of the American Writers' Union have expressed their sympathy with the Remington-Rand strikers by initiating a boycott against Remington typewriters and other products of Remington-Rand.

The following telegram was sent today to James H. Rand Jr., president of Remington-Rand, by Ivan Black, president of the American Writers' Union.

"MEMBERS AMERICAN WRITERS UNION PROTEST YOUR UNAMERICAN TREATMENT OF WORKERS AND HEREFORTH ANNOUNCE NATION-WIDE BOYCOTT OF ALL REMINGTON RAND PRODUCTS UNTIL STRIKE IS SETTLED FAVORABLY TO WORKERS."

Brazil Envoy Threatens Death for Luiz Prestes

TONGUE SLIPS DURING RECENT INTERVIEW

NEW YORK CITY.—Grave apprehension for the fate of Luiz Carlos Prestes, imprisoned Brazilian people's leader, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ewert German Communist refugees in Brazil was expressed by Miss Anna Damon, Acting National Secretary of the International Labor Defense following an interview in Washington with Brazilian Ambassador Oswald Aranha.

Miss Damon, who went to Washington as a member of a delegation organized by the Joint Committee for the Defense of the Brazilian People, told in New York of the impression of imminent danger to these three people should the world wave of protest against their incarceration and torture fail to reach the necessary heights to guarantee their protection.

ARROGANT REFUSAL

"Ambassador Aranha, evidently speaking on behalf of his government, insisted that under no circumstances would these prisoners be freed," Miss Damon said.

"He threatened reprisals against demonstrators before Brazilian consulates in the United States—a threat which he evidently tried to make good in the ordered police attack Friday upon the demonstration in New York, where Frank Spector, New York State Secretary and Sam Dlugin Organizational State Secretary of the International Labor Defense, were arrested.

MURDER THREATENED

"Throughout the interview, he kept repeating that these men would be punished, and even at one point so betrayed the vengefulness of the Vargas government by stating that 'we will punish them, we will kill them!' Later he tried to make this appear to have been a slip of the tongue, but the warning was out.

"He even insisted that Ewert and his wife, who are threatened with deportation to Germany, which means imprisonment and probable death for them, will not be permitted to seek sanctuary in Mexico and under all circumstances will be 'punished' by the Vargas government before being deported.

PROTEST URGED

"All trade unions, all liberal-minded people, should rally at once to the defense of Prestes, Mr. and Mrs. Ewert and the 17,000 political prisoners in Vargas' dungeons. Protests and resolutions should shower from every part of the country on Ambassador Aranha.

YOYUNG NEGRO POET PENS TRIBUTE FOR PASSING OF GORKI

LOS ANGELES, Calif.—Hilton A. Phillips, young local Negro poet, has penned a heartfelt tribute to the passing of the great Soviet author, Maxim Gorki. Phillips is the author of a book of class-conscious poetry, "Flames of Rebellion."

THE PASSING OF MAXIM GORKI

By Hilton A. Phillips.

He was a courageous champion of the common masses, and a fearless fighter against injustice, in a world in which enthroned tyrants once ruled supreme.

He dies—lo a champion of earth's oppressed,
Doth humbly sleep, his work of glory done,
Over his ashes chant, the songs he loved best;

The tribute of a nation great to her beloved son.

Stilled is the voice, that long millions inspired,
Silent the pen that long for justice fought;
Long shall we think of him, whose fearless pen oft fired
Us with courage and strength, despite our bitter lot.

Alas! Alas! and countless numbers mourn,
As to the tomb, his bier slowly is borne,
From Arctic floe, to the far Caspian Sea,
From Minsk to Okhotsk shore, long live his memory.

Hilton's book, "Flames of Rebellion" can be obtained at \$2.00 per copy by addressing Box 63, Station K, Los Angeles, Calif.

NEW MAMMOTH GUNS FOR PACIFIC COAST

SAN FRANCISCO.—War preparations in the Pacific were strengthened here by addition of four mammoth 16-inch rifles capable of hurling projectiles nearly 30 miles, according to announcement by Maj. Gen. George S. Simmonds, new commander of the 9th Corps Area.

Recently completed at a Navy arsenal, the guns will be installed both north and south of the Golden Gate, two at Fort Mifflin and two at Tennessee Point, Marin County, to be mounted after steel and concrete emplacements are built and huge arriages constructed. Added men will have charge of the guns.

"FINGERPRINT" FRICKE

LOS ANGELES.—Superior Judge Charles Fricke wants national fingerprinting, he recently in the Lido Room of the Knickerbocker the reactionary Hollywood 20-30 Club rocker.

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Underground



The U. S. Government emulates the squirrel and buries its nuts for the future. This huge new vault under construction at Fort Knox, Kentucky will house America's gold reserve in chamber 88 feet underground. Gold supplies formerly stored in coast cities have recently been moved farther inland.

Seeing RED

By Michael Quin

THE PHOTOGRAPHIC PROOF A Play in 1 Act.

CHARACTERS: Governor Blandon, publisher Worst, banker Horgan, and the photographer.

SCENE: The photographer's studio. All the characters are on the stage when the curtain rises.

WORST: (Depositing a large bundle on a table and beginning to untie the string.) Now, Governor, if you don't mind taking off your clothes.

GOVERNOR: My God, man! You don't want my picture in the nude?

HORGAN: That's not the idea, old man. If you're going to be elected President you're going to have to win the hearts of the people. Americans like rugged he-men. They like the human, outdoor, haw-fellow-well-met sort of thing. Perhaps a touch of the rustic philosopher—a shade on the Will Rogers pattern.

WORST: Take off that suit. They won't vote for you in that. You look exactly like the man they work for. I've got an outfit for you here.

GOVERNOR: (Removing his coat.) Dear me! Complicated isn't it? Well, I suppose you gentlemen know your business. (He continues to strip down to his long woolen underwear.)

HORGAN: We elected Roosevelt, didn't we? We elected Hoover. We elected Coolidge. We elected Harding. We elected them all. Take off your shoes.

GOVERNOR: Dear me! The shoes too? Oh, very well.

WORST: (Unwrapping the paper and revealing a heap of clothing.) Here you are! A man of the forest and plain. (Lifts up a pair of high-laced hiking boots.) Zane Grey, Harold Bell Wright, Buffalo Bill. We'll make you look like something.

GOVERNOR: Good Heavens, man! You're not serious?

HORGAN: (Chewing the end of a cigar.) Do you want to be President or don't you?

GOVERNOR: Oh, yes indeed!

HORGAN: Then put on that outfit and don't ask so damned many questions.

WORST: Here's a leather jacket, a pair of khaki trousers, a khaki shirt and an oil stained felt hat.

GOVERNOR: I suppose you know what you're doing. (Starts to put on outfit.) But what's my wife going to say to all this? I'll never live it down.

WORST: She wants to be the First Lady of the Land, don't she?

HORGAN: She wants you to be President, don't she?

GOVERNOR: Dear me: I suppose you're right.

WORST: Do you like dogs?

GOVERNOR: Indeed no. I can't abide the animals.

HORGAN: Well, from now on, you like dogs. Understand?

GOVERNOR: But, my dear fellow, they smell.

WORST: Smell or no smell, you like dogs. If anybody asks you, just remember, you like dogs.

GOVERNOR: Dear me!

HORGAN: There ain't nobody going to elect you president unless you like dogs. Ain't that right, Worst?

WORST: Not only that, but you like horses. Don't forget that.

GOVERNOR: (Lacing the boots.) My soul! Imagine having to put these on every morning.

HORGAN: This will prove that you're a regular guy—a man of the people. Stand over there and let's have a look at you.

GOVERNOR: (Standing at a distance and posing stiffly.) My! I must look odd.

WORST: You look like Hell, if you ask me. But you'll have to do. (Walks over, takes hat, rumples it, crams it down haphazard on the Governor's head, then backs up to study the effect.) That's better.

HORGAN: Have you got your pipe?

GOVERNOR: Oh, yes! I have it right here. Yes indeed. (Procures thin,

A DIARY OF A CLASS-CONSCIOUS SEAMAN

By LeMae

DIARY OF A CLASS-CONSCIOUS SEAMAN—CHAPTER XV.

Just as the tender nosed her well rounded breast into the pier, Bozart and I changed our minds and decided to prowl around Shanghai a few hours longer before going back aboard ship.

We left the French Concession and sauntered nonchalantly into Chapei, the Chinese city of Shanghai. Sidestepping ragged human forms lying prostrate on the narrow, greasy sidewalk and brushing up against countless shabbily dressed Chinese soldiers I pulled my partner up short as a poster caught my eye. In creaming letters it read "Now Playing—Chapayev—a story of Soviet Russia."

We put our helm hard over and steered into the theater. Chinese in all class of dress were entering—a flock of white Russians led the way. Bozart and I sat down in the rear of the house and waited for the show to start. The place was packed. "Hope it's got some action in it," Bozart leaned his chubby frame back more comfortably and whispered to me.

We got "action" in darn short order. But from an unexpected source. The first thing that flashed on the screen was a newsreel about Soviet Russia. An ear splitting

spindley little pipe from his coat and holds it up for inspection.)

WORST: Do you expect to get up enough steam on that thing to get as far as the White House?

HORGAN: That ain't no pipe. That's a pimp stick. Here. Take this. (Hands the Governor an enormous curved stem college pipe.) Stick that in your face.

GOVERNOR: My goodness! What a whooper. (Puts pipe in mouth.)

WORST: (Shaking his head.) Horgan, I think you and I have been a couple of damned fools. This man looks like an idiot.

HORGAN: It's too late to do anything about it now. We've picked him and he'll have to do. Besides, I don't know as I agree with you. I think he looks kind of homey and agreeable.

WORST: I was right in the first place. We should have picked an iron man. Some guy with a jaw like a bumper. A dictator. A scowler.

HORGAN: Now don't go fussing about that now. Later on we can spring that if we have to. It's always just as well to have a few tricks in reserve. (Turning to photographer) Are you ready?

PHOTOGRAPHER: Will you stand just a little bit to the left, Governor.

WORST: (In rage.) Damn you—you blasphemous Bolshevik. How dare you say the word "Left" in my presence.

PHOTOGRAPHER: I'm sorry, sir. I simply meant—

WORST: Who cares what you meant? You blubbing fool. If I ever hear you mention that word in my presence again I'll send you to the penitentiary for Criminal Syndicalism. Do you understand?

PHOTOGRAPHER: I'm sorry, sir. I won't slip again. I promise I won't.

WORST: That's better. Now go on with your work.

HORGAN: Provoking, isn't it?

WORST: Unbearable. Crops up wherever you go. Result of insidious propaganda. (To the Governor) Now see if you can't look alive.

(Photographer bies himself focusing camera on Governor.)

HORGAN: (Walks over to Governor.) Put your arm up this way. Take hold of the pipe. That's right. Relax a bit. (Pushes the Governor's arm about to achieve effect.) That's right. Now smile. (Back up to study effect.)

WORST: As I think of it now, we ought to have him holding a bunch of dead ducks on a string and carrying a shotgun.

HORGAN: What! Think what you're saying, man! Think of all the women who oppose cruelty to animals!

WORST: I never thought of that. Maybe it's just as well this way. My God! But he looks silly.

HORGAN: Never mind, man. It's what the public wants. (To the Governor.) Smile! Smile!

PHOTOGRAPHER: Smile!

WORST: SMILE!

ALTOGETHER: Smile!

(The photographer discharges a flare with a bang.)

WORST: (Shouting) That will appear in every newspaper in the country by tomorrow morning.

CURTAIN.

cheer suddenly and most unexpectedly went up from all around us when Stalin's warm smiling face filed the screen. I joined in on the tail end of it as soon as I recovered from my surprise. As the cheer died down from the front rows drifted a weak but organized boo.

Stalin's picture flashed on the screen again. Once more a loud cheer went up—challengingly. Then hell broke loose. All around us Chinese and whites suddenly arose from their seats.

Bozart and I joined in the melee as fists and bottles started to fly from all directions. Russian and Chinese curses were almost as thick as the fists that were flying the air. Somebody lowered a bottle on Bozart's head. "Why you lousy white Russian b—," he shouted and waded into the thick of the fight.

Chinese soldiers rushed into the theatre—apparently to establish peace, but instead, some of them lined up with us. After about twenty minutes of bloody battle things were quieted down. The Chinese soldiers left the theatre and the show started all over again. Stalin's smiling face looked down on us. A wild roaring cheer went up. There were no boos this time.

We sailed down the river from Shanghai, with the Dollar line house flag at half mast. One of the Dollar family had kicked the bucket.

The Chinese coolies we have aboard, who are working stark naked cleaning steaming hot fuel tanks are undoubtedly very badly upset by this news. Hired in Shanghai to make the trip to Manila and return, they are forced to work 12 hours a day—Sunday included—for 30 cents a day.

The Dollars like all shipowners conveniently stick the American flag into their back pocket when it comes to the important question of cheap labor. Over a hundred of these Chinese coolies are taken aboard every trip by each Dollar Liner, when they reach the Orient. No provision is made aboard ships for them. They sleep wherever there is room. In passage ways and in cargo tween decks. They have no washplace or sanitary facilities. But the steamboat inspectors apparently "think" it's okay. In case of an emergency, a hundred Chinese lives don't mean much. There ain't enough life boats to go that far around.

Yes, the flag is at half mast for one of the Dollars. That guy probably never did a day's work in his life, the expression of one of the quartermasters, it voiced the sentiment of the whole gang of us.

Had a hot political argument in the fore-cabin this evening. One of the A. B. s, an ex navy man, declared with absolute conviction, "We'll never have a revolution in the United States because it's a free country."

"Where were you during the 1934 strike?" I asked him.

"In the Navy," he answered rather meekly.

"Then ask some of the fellows who were clubbed, gassed and beaten on the picket lines what they think about this country of ours," I suggested. "Ask the Modesto Boys—or Tom Mooney."

The rest of the gang listened with unusual interest to our argument. Felt very proud when the little Catholic Italian came over to my bunk later and said, "Hell, you made a monkey out of that guy's argument."

Confidentially I think I gave a lousy argument, myself.

"I'm practically a Red now and if I could find a substitute for Faith I'd join the Communist Party now," he whispered in my ear.

I kept silent for want of an intelligent answer—but I've got an application blank ready for him.

What is that line that goes something like "Theory without practice" or vice versa?

Prisoners' Relief



One of the posters for the International Labor Defense drive for funds to go to the families and immediate dependents of those imprisoned in this country for their political beliefs and activities in the working class. Donations may be sent to the I. L. D. offices at 126 South Broadway, Los Angeles, or 1005 Market Street, San Francisco.

LOOK AT OURSELVES TO FIND THE ANSWER TO FLUCTUATION PROBLEM

Organizer Looks at Party Members and Apparatus From Viewpoint of New Recruit

By Sonoma County Organizer.

The overcoming of the high rate of fluctuation in our District is an important organizational task which demands a solution in the immediate future. Comrade Schneiderman, in his report to the State Convention, has likened the Party to a sieve in which the members go out as fast as they come in. In all discussions on this subject the importance of political education has been stressed. New member classes have been formed but still fluctuation continues.

Political education is still the answer to this vexing problem, but we must find new reasons why we are as yet unable to make such education effective in holding new members. There is no blueprint we can lay down and say, "This will do away with fluctuation," but there are several questions we can raise discussion of which may help us to attack the problem.

Let us put ourselves in the position of a new recruit to the Party. He has been reading our paper, magazines, and a few pamphlets over a certain period of time. He has learned something about our political line and has come to agree with it sufficiently to join the Party. He has read about the self-sacrificing work of Communists, how they fight shoulder to shoulder with all honest fighters in the interest of the working class.

READY FOR NEW THINGS

He may have read about the rise of the new Socialist society in the Soviet Union. Consequently when he joins the Party, he is prepared to meet and work with a different type of person than he has known outside the Party. And if he happens to be one of those members who soon drops out of the Party, what has disillusioned him? Does he find the political line inside the Party different than that put forward in our press? No! Or does he become disillusioned with the "new" kind of people he expected to work with?

Right here, Comrades, I think we had better take a good look at ourselves. Many of us still have remnants of the bad features of petty-bourgeois ideology in the sphere of social and cultural relations even though we may have successfully broken with the capitalist political ideology. This is of course, known to most of us. But does a new member accept this as an unavoidable circumstance? Sometimes a relatively important shortcoming in our social relations may be magnified all out of proportion by a new recruit who is not yet politically mature.

THAT "SNOOTY" ATTITUDE

Specifically, I mean the attitude certain old members sometimes have toward incoming recruits—a sort of disdainful, superior attitude to all attempts of the new member (who of course makes mistakes) to express his opinions. This must not be construed as a general attack on all old members. Our Party has many old comrades who have done faithful and valuable work in the past and will continue to do so in the future. But the mere fact that a member has held a book over a period of years does not give him the right to put in superior airs toward younger members.

Sometimes a new member finds such things as leading work onto another comrade; failure to keep appointments on time (or missing them altogether); evidence of "big-shot-ism," particularly in some unit, sub-section or section functionaries, and in some cases even District functionaries. We have heard certain comrades referred to as "the big shot" by the members, and where there is some smoke, there must be a little fire. Comrades who have done good work and have been elevated to positions of responsibility should not become "dizzy from success." It should not be necessary to get that way in order to have the self-confidence necessary to be a good leader. They should emulate our best leaders who are so occupied doing things for the Party that they have no time to enter into abstract discussions on how good they are, leaving this "important" task for the parlor Bolsheviks.

THE CULTURAL GROWTH

We must understand that our new members may be more sensitive on the subject of personal relations within the Party than we suspect. It is a matter on which they would be most reluctant to express criticism, taking the alternative of walking out on us without an explanation. Therefore, we must turn the white light of self-criticism on our social and cultural relations within the Party. We know that in the Soviet Union the Bolsheviks considered a rise in the cultural level absolutely necessary alongside with the rise in political and industrial technique. We must consider that the rise in the level of culture within the Party must be compatible with our political growth. In fact, a conscious effort to improve our social relations—to decisively break with all remnants of the worst features of our petty-bourgeois cultural inheritance on the basis of genuine proletarian comradeship—will help to prepare us for still greater political growth.

As a concrete step in applying such a line, we suggest that educational directors pick for teachers of new members classes,

comrades who are not only politically capable but who have shown that they have taken steps toward becoming proletarian people in the sphere of social and cultural relations. This may help us to keep new members long enough to give them the political education they need so much. Then if they later find that all comrades are not advanced in all lines, they will have a sufficiently good political outlook to understand that it is an unavoidable part of the struggle for Socialism—that we cannot expect perfection in our personal relations so long as we live under capitalism.

SEARCH OUT SPECIAL TALENT

We must also develop people who can discover special talents among our new members; comrades who can give attention to detail—to the individual needs of the new members. There is much hidden talent lying dormant in the working class. We must be ever on the alert for expressions of this much needed talent. There are among the non-Party workers, many people who have the ability to develop into mass agitators and organizers, without whom we will be unable to successfully build a mass movement to prevent Fascism and finally to overthrow capitalism. Some of these will be found among the people now coming into our Party, and we must carefully search for them as a miner pans his gold.

Our Section has had some slight experience in using such a plan (although we are ourselves far from making use of all the possibilities it presents). Our Section on Jan. 1 had a registration of 32 members. The quota set up by the District to the time of the District Convention called for an increased membership of 45, and we now have 47. In addition to this, we "lost" three members who moved to another section in the District, so they cannot be placed in the fluctuation column. Thus we really over-fulfilled our recruiting quota by five, and what is more important, we lost but one member in the first five months of the year. This happened to be an elderly lady who could not attend meetings.

IN A SMALLER SECTION

Now we do not consider ourselves brilliant organizers because we have a very low rate of fluctuation in our Section. We think it is more likely due to the fact that we are a small section, and we can and do keep track of the new members after they enter the Party. We try to give attention to their own particular problems of adjusting themselves to the Party. Thus these new comrades see that we continue to take an interest in them after they have joined and are merely after their signature on an application card.

In the larger sections, where it is not possible for the leading committees to give personal attention to each new member, they could discuss these methods among the lower functionaries and convince them of the necessity of using such methods in regard to new members. The Section Committee members could give an example by personally keeping track of the members they themselves recruit. In this way, the slogan could be raised that every comrade who recruits a member continue to take a personal interest in the progress of this member. This is where the cultural level of all our members comes in: to enable them to discuss with their recruits their specific problems in a comradely way. Such methods would be used, not to displace new members classes, but to supplement them.

The plan of assigning special people to teach new members classes should be put into practice simultaneously with a cultural campaign within the Party, linked up directly with our other Party work as a means of improving this work.

LET US LIQUIDATE THE BAD FEATURES OF OUR PETTY-BOURGEOIS INHERITANCE IN THE SPHERE OF SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RELATIONS FOR GENUINE PROLETARIAN COMRADESHIP THROUGHOUT OUR ENTIRE PARTY.

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People's Health

By FRANKLIN E. BISSELL, M.D.

DIMINISHING SEX POWER

Wilmington Calif.

Dear Comrade Doctor:

Before consulting any local M. D. I shall welcome your advice. I am 39 years old and find my sex power quite diminished. I have slight prostate trouble; also stricture. Have had gonorrhea some years back. Apart from this loss of sex power I am quite healthy.

Surely something can be done about it. I hope you won't think I'm chiselling this information.

I'll be glad to send you a contribution for the good work your column is doing to enlighten us workers.

Yours Comradely,

A. B.

ANSWER—A. B. is referring to stricture of the urethra. Both this and inflammation of the prostate may cause diminishing of the sexual capabilities. They should be treated by a doctor, who will stretch the urethra (urine passageway) and will massage and squeeze the pus out of the prostate gland. If this doesn't bring back the sexual power, possibly some of the glands are not functioning in the way that they should. Or, there may be an early "climacterium." This is the time of life that a man normally loses some of his sexual power and usually comes between the ages of 45 and 55, but sometimes comes earlier.

To forestall any attempts on the part of the Board of Medical Examiners to frame me, I wish to state that the above advice is not an advertisement and that I do not do that type of work, myself.

GOOD SUGGESTION

The suggestion of contributions sounds like a good one. The more money in contributions that the "Western Worker" receives, the sooner we can make it into a daily paper, and we are always in the need of funds. So, if any of our readers feel that they have been benefited by this column, the Western Worker will gladly accept any contributions that they feel they can make.

FACTS AND FIGURES

FARM FACTS

The U. S. Census reports a total of 5,500,000 farm workers in the United States, including part-time farmers and share-croppers who work for wages part of each year. Agricultural wage workers amount to 52 per cent of all who gain a living from agriculture and constitute 11 per cent of all persons gainfully employed in the United States. Of this number there are 539,307 official estimates the average farm wages Negro farm wage workers. According to the United States as of January 1, 1936 was a daily wage, with board, of \$1.00—without board \$1.37; monthly wage with board \$18.54, without board \$23.63.

Since 1918 the farmer's share in the national income has been steadily decreasing. The percentage of national income going to farmers has dropped from 20.5 per cent in 1918 to 5.7 per cent in 1932 (Senate document No. 124, 72nd Congress). The average farm family had an income of \$1584 in 1929 but even at that time three million farm families averaged only \$550 per year, which means that many of them had an income which fell below this amount. Poor farmers in 1929 got about one-third of the average farm income. We may safely say that the poor farmers in 1934 probably received less than \$300 a year. Even this is a conservative figure for it does not take into consideration the increased numbers of farmers who have been pushed off the land, and those who have been driven from the status of middle farmers down to the lower groups.

Between April 1, 1930 and January 1, 1935 the value of farm land and buildings in the United States declined approximately one-third—from \$47,879,838,358 to \$32,358,344,012. The largest declines took place in the west north central states and the smallest in the New England and Middle Atlantic states. On a per farm basis the decline amounted to \$2791; the average value being \$4823 in 1935 as compared with \$7615 in 1930.

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Fake General Strike Story in Long Beach is Plot on Unions

TRY TO TURN POPULATION AGAINST AFL

Long Beach Labor Council Hits Lying Action of the Employers' Press

LONG BEACH, Cal.—There is no depth to which the bosses will not descend in the attempt to discredit organized labor.

The Long Beach Sun of June 15 carried a spread across its front page saying "General Strike Threatened." The lying story went on to say that the Long Beach local unions planned to call a general strike on July 1, not for higher wages or better conditions, but to "show labor's strength."

AN AFTERTHOUGHT

As if in an afterthought, the Long Beach Sun went on to say that "the report is unconfirmed."

Just to heighten the effect of the scare, the rotten boss sheet had Detective Captain Owen Murphy state that he and his Red Squad had been watching "certain radicals" in Long Beach and had known for months that something of the sort was afoot.

The papers of Los Angeles, including of course the labor-hating Times, carried the same story.

The purpose of it all was obvious: to scare the middle class people, to arouse enmity toward organized labor, to get them to believe that organized labor just calls strikes for the sake of striking and not for the purpose of winning better conditions, wages, or in solidarity with other strikes.

L. A. TUNES IN PLOT

It is part of the same well organized plot against the unions which includes the vicious series the Los Angeles Times has been running under the scare title "Danger." The moral of this series is that Los Angeles is in danger of becoming a closed shop town. What a tragedy for the wealthy open shop employers!

The rank and file membership of the Long Beach unions were quick to see the plot, and the Central Labor Council adopted a resolution, of which the following is a part:

Resolved: That the Long Beach Central Labor Council inform the public that no general strike is contemplated. Reserving, of course, the right for labor organizations to conduct their own business and strike, if and when in their opinion, such action is necessary.

Resolved: That a copy of this resolution be sent to each one of the Chambers of Commerce, Police Department and published in the Beach News, the Long Beach Press-Telegram and the Long Beach Morning Sun.

Mine, Smeltermen Spreading Union

SALT LAKE CITY—Organization by the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers is steadily spreading over its flar-flung territory. Three local unions have been recently chartered in Ontario, Canada.

"We are receiving much opposition from the operators, who are firing many men in an effort to break their spirit and kill organization work," reports Secretary-Treasurer Sherwood.

The International has just emphatically rejected the demand of the A. F. of L. Executive Council that it quit the Committee for Industrial Organization.

4,000 Lumbermen Get 7½% Wage Raise

PORTLAND, Ore.—The strike of 4000 Columbia River loggers has ended under an agreement which gives the workers a 7½ per cent wage increase, according to a Labor Department report issued a few days ago.

Who Does Grange Work For Anyway?

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PERSONAL

July 15, 1936

Mr. David E. Grange,
61 Whitehall Street,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Grange:

I am enclosing copies of pages 1, 2, 4, 15, and 18 of the proposed amendments to U.S. 8597 in order that the drafts now in your possession may be complete. These changes were brought about by reason of our last conference on this bill.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Yours very truly,

W. J. Jones
Director

Enclosure

THIS LETTER from the director of the Dept. of Commerce to David E. Grange, president of the Marine Cooks and Stewards, vice president of the International Seamen's Union, and bitter foe of the rank and file, refers to the Copeland Bill. The letter proves that Grange worked with the shipowners and the government to put over the hated bill, which provides for blacklisting through the continuous discharge book system.

California Labor Notes

OAKLAND—U. S. Judge Louderback has refused to enjoin the Regional Labor Board from acting on complaints against the Moore Drydock Co. here, charged with unfair labor practices.

SAN LEANDRO—The hundred workers locked out by the Hudson Lumber Co. are demanding recognition of the Millmen's Union; abolition of piece work; 4 hour day and 5½ day week; and 42½ to 67½ cents an hour. General manager Neal is trying to scare the strikers by a threat to move the plant. Between 25 and 30 are picketing daily.

SAN FRANCISCO—June saw the beginning of a new union here, the American Federation of Government Employees, Local 236. Starting with 50 members, the union recruited an additional 225 in a few weeks.

OAKLAND—500 pickets were out on Sunday, June 21, to let the workers of the East Bay know that the Shell Oil Co. is unfair to organized labor. Many stations with union operators closed for the day. It was done to help the Teamsters get the company to sign with them. It was a very unprofitable day for Shell Oil.

MARTINEZ—Eight candidates were initiated and ten more applications filed at the meeting of Oil Workers Local 5, which heard Harrod, Business Agent of Local 326. Rodeo report on the Oil Workers' International convention recently held in Tulsa. Brothers Erends and Wilson reported on the June 21 oil workers conference in Bakerfield. A meeting of oil workers' executives is scheduled for July 26 at Martinez. The conference with Shell Oil Co. officials, for wage, increases and an agreement, will be held in San Francisco beginning June 30. Brother Erends will represent local 5.

RICHMOND—Retail clerks union elected Louis Rattaro president. Ed. McLaughlin vice president; Esther Charlesworth secretary; Wiley Jones, treasurer. Installation will take place July 13.

SAN PEDRO—Despite the fact that the Safeway store clerks in Lomita have union agreements with the company, and that all meat markets in Safeway stores have agreements with the Butchers' Union, the San Pedro Retail Clerks' Protective Association broke off negotiations with clerks in the Safeway grocery departments in San Pedro and Wilmington, because these clerks

S. F. Recreation Center In Swing

SAN FRANCISCO—Sports activities on the waterfront are well underway, with the Union Recreation Center in full swing. Baseball practice began a week ago. The Center has invited all maritime unions to organize basketball teams for the coming season, and enter them in a Waterfront League.

A new class to open in the Center will be one in Navigation, which will include use of the sextant, explanation of technical points, working out of observation of the sun stars etc. Ernst Bosch, Columbia University graduate, will be instructor. Courses in Public Speaking, Parliamentary Law, English History of Labor Movement, Trade Union problems, etc., will be given.

The recent Shebang although not the financial success hoped for, gave a million dollars worth of publicity to the Recreation Center. A membership meeting of the Center will be held June 30, at 8 p. m., at the Center, 32 Clay street.

Metal Co., Makes It Tough for a Staunch Smelter Union Man

SELBY, Cal.—The Guggenheim bosses try to make it pretty miserable for a man who proves himself a staunch union man.

Take the case of Antonio Toste. He was one of the leaders of the strike in the Guggenheim smelter last year. He's one of the most active men in the Mine Mill and Smeltermen.

After the strike the company shifted him from job to job. Finally they put him to work with a notorious scab boss, Slim Winters. Tony didn't like the idea working with a rat.

notified the union they would not become members. The reason behind this action is not clear.

PASADENA—Endorsement of the program of industrial organization and the C. I. O., was voted at the joint meeting of the Northern and Southern California conferences of Typographical Unions.

SAN DIEGO—In a recent issue of the "Labor Leader," organ of the so-called Central Labor Council a letter from a member of the Carpenters, L. F. Nebel, tells the Leader that "The Labor Leader has failed to represent us as they should so please remove me from your mailing list." There is considerable sentiment in the unions for a new A. F. of L. labor paper here.

E. BAY BOSSES

TRY TRICKS IN TUNNEL UNION

OAKLAND—The bosses have not been getting to first base in their efforts to break the solidarity of East Bay Labor, so they are trying some new tricks.

A week ago 700 members of the Tunnel, Aqueduct and Subway Workers' Union were locked out in a dispute between the Six Companies and the 13th High way District.

WONT RETURN FOR LOW WAGES

Since that time union members have decided they will not go back until certain demands for wage increase and better working conditions are granted. The union has a Mine Mill and Smelter Workers Charter.

Now the red herring is dragged out. During the absence of a member who had recently been transferred from Selby local, he was attacked by reactionaries as "only coming down here to talk Communism to us." They demanded that he be denied the privilege of the floor from now on.

STRAW BOSSES

The three that made this undemocratic demand were Jack Schuler, Sam Wolff and Gadley. The three are all straw bosses and on previous jobs they had refused to join the union. On this job they were forced to do so.

This militant worker under attack told the Western Worker correspondent: "I've never been a member of the Communist Party nor am I a member now, but experience has taught me to be proud to work along with the Communists and I don't care who knows that. The only reason that this attack has been made upon me is to give the company an excuse for refusing to rehire me."

Since the tunnel men were locked out they have been very active on the picket lines of the various strikes, especially the L. A. Young strike. They now jointly occupy a store for offices with the Federal Laborers Union.

The bonds of working class solidarity are becoming too strong for the bosses' comfort and hence such attacks as the above mentioned.

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PEDRO MART FISHERMEN

SAN PEDRO—With 50 applications already received, the Deep Sea and Purse Seine Fishermen's Union here is conducting a drive to organize the Market Fishermen in this port.

Approximately 250 fishermen are engaged in this type of fishing, few having come into the union previously.

A SPECIAL BRANCH

The main bulk in the union are the fishermen on the purse seine boats working for the canneries. It is planned now to establish a special branch for the market fishermen starting with a lowered initiation fee. At a meeting the market fishermen themselves elected an organizing committee.

The union's success this year, in the face of heavy cannery opposition, in getting better tuna and mackerel agreements, better conditions and continued union recognition has been an incentive for the market fishermen. At the present time they are working without any agreement on price scale subject to whatever prices the market operators see fit to pay.

The union is also negotiating with the canners on the sardine price for the next season, according to George Ivankovich, secretary.

HAVE I. S. U. CHARTER

Having an International Seamen's Union charter for California the union is also organizing in its field in Monterey and at the same time making efforts to secure closer relations with other fishing unions on the Pacific Coast, most of which are in the I. S. U.

No Labor Shortage in San Luis Obispo Co.: 800 Receiving Relief

By A Worker Correspondent ATASCADERO, Cal.—After a very careful and extensive census, it has been definitely determined that there exists no shortage in the labor market in the section covered by San Luis Obispo County.

These findings have been compiled after careful investigation by the American Federation of Government Employees, whose main unit is situated in Atascadero.

The cause for this survey had its origin in the fact that many men have been induced to come to this county because of reports which have been current that there was a shortage of labor and incidentally high wages being paid by various employers.

The fact is that there exist about 800 who will be forced to continue on the relief rolls, so reports the American Federation of Government Employees, lodge 1081.

Bosses' Mob Wrecks Rubber Union Office

GADSDEN, Ala.—A mob of several hundred, egged on by the big rubber companies stormed the organization headquarters of the United Rubber Workers' Union, smashed furniture and attacked organizers.

No arrests were made. Additional organizers will be sent here by the union, as an answer to the mob's demand that present organizers get out of town. A drive is on to organize the Good-year plant here.

RR Shopcraft Lodges Pushing Resolutions For the Six-Hour Day

CHICAGO—Railroad shopcraft union lodges are being asked to vote on resolutions favoring the 6-hour day, 25 per cent wage increase and a two weeks vacation with pay.

Origin of the move came from the Federation of Shopcrafts and it is being handled through the international unions involved.

The Northwest Federation has already endorsed the resolution. Opposition to consolidations is growing fast.

Is It OK With You, Mr. Boss?

INTERNATIONAL MERCANTILE MARINE COMPANY

OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

1 BROADWAY
NEW YORK
May 21 1936

Mr. David E. Grange, President
Marine Cooks' and Stewards' Union
61 Whitehall Street
New York N. Y.

Dear Mr. Grange:

Thank you very much for your letter of May 20 with a copy of your proposed talk over the radio tomorrow night. I think it is a very excellent statement and how it will have the effect of nullifying the talk given by non-union seamen.

Very truly yours,

W. J. Jones
Vice President

GRANGE, REACTIONARY DE LUXE, wouldn't even make a radio talk without asking the vice president of the International Mercantile Marine Co. to look the speech over and approve it. The talk referred to was one attacking the rank and file seamen's strike on the East Coast.

200 Organizers In Steel Region

PITTSBURGH Pa.—The first squadron of organizers is already on the job in the steel centers of the Eastern District. The drive to unionize the nation's 500,000 steel workers, under the guidance of the Steel Workers' Organizing Committee and the Committee for Industrial Organization is taking shape, directed from headquarters in the United Miners building here.

Besides the 13 organizers already in the field, 200 more will be assigned in a few days. An official newspaper, as national organ for the drive will be published.

The readiness of the steel workers to organize was shown by the turnout of 4500 workers in mass meetings at McKeesport and Brackenridge. There will be a great mass meeting July 5, at Homestead to commemorate the 1892 strike.

NEW YORK—The United Textile Workers executive council met here and decided to remain in the C. I. O., regardless of consequences.

CHICAGO—The powerful Chicago Federation of Labor has passed a resolution asking the A. F. of L. Council to stop threatening the expulsion of unions belonging to the Committee for Industrial Organization.

Wash. Labor Probing Fascist Outfit That Apos 'Black Legion'

EVERETT, Wash.—A committee of three to investigate the Hitler-like "Christian Commonwealth Party has been set up by the Everett Central Labor Council.

The organization to be investigated is looked on as the "Black Legion of the Northwest," and labor wants to go to the mat with it before it pulls any of the stuff the Black Legion did in Michigan.

After a report by the committee, the Council voted to ask affiliated unions to join in the probe of the fascist group.

Charges Steel Corp. With Opposing Nets Under S.F. Bridge

SAN FRANCISCO—The steel interests were attacked last Friday for opposing the proposal to erect a net beneath the Golden Gate Bridge to protect workers lives.

The attack was made by A. R. O'Brien, member of the Golden Gate Bridge and Highway District, which proposed the net after at least 22 lives were lost.

O'Brien said the bridge board would appeal to the U. S. Department of Labor, the state labor commissioner and the California Accident Commission.

MARITIME FED. IN OVERTURES TO TEAMSTERS

Latter Asked to Send Fraternal Delegates; SUP Renews Fight for Charter and Council Seats

SAN FRANCISCO—Because they are closely related to the maritime industry, the Teamster Union has been invited by the Maritime Federation of the Pacific to send fraternal delegates as observers to the meetings of the four Federation district councils. The invitation was sent to the Teamsters in Seattle, Portland, San Francisco, San Pedro and Los Angeles.

The letter states that the invitation was issued with this thought in mind: "Closer cooperation and organized labor unity for the good and welfare of organized labor as a whole and may the Pacific Coast lead the way."

SAILORS' RENEW FIGHT

The Sailors' Union of the Pacific has renewed its fight for the right to seat delegates in the San Francisco Labor Council and for its charter. Letters signed by Harry Lundeborg have been sent to A. F. of L. President Green and to Ivan Hunter, secretary-treasurer of the International Seamen's Union.

Writing to Green, Lundeborg said that all legal actions taken by the I. S. U. officials against the S. U. P. have either been won by the Pacific Sailors or dropped by the I. S. U. officials.

Lundeborg accused Hunter of making mis-statements to Green about the S. U. P. "The officers of our union are still willing to meet with you on any fair and dignified basis," Hunter was told. "If either you or President Green chooses to open negotiations, without the personal abuse which has become characteristic of you, the Sailors' Union of the Pacific stands ready to meet any proposed settlement openly and fairly."

Grange Isn't Fit For Committee

NEW YORK—Rank and file protest against the makeup of the Copeland Senate committee investigating marine labor conditions is beginning to bear fruit.

The committee includes Paul Scharrenberg and David E. Grange, President of the Marine Cooks and bitter foe of the recent rank and file strike. Support of the rank and file seamen's protests has come from Howard S. Cullman, vice-chairman of the Committee on Safety at Sea. Cullman told Secretary of Commerce Roper that the Copeland committee was unfit to undertake a fair inquiry into the brief submitted by the rank and file seamen.

He denounced Grange, saying "that 'union officials who submit their radio speeches to the shipowners for approval cannot be regarded as adequate representatives of labor.'"

R.R. Pension Act Knocked Out by D.C. Court In Decision

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Justice Jennings Bailey of the District of Columbia Supreme Court has declared the 1935 Railroad Retirement Act Unconstitutional.

This knocks out the entire federal system of pensions for railroad workers. The Federal Retirement Board has been restrained from collecting pension payments from the railroad carriers.

the new anthracite wage agreement at a 3-day convention. It provides for a 7 hour day, 5 day week, beginning May 1, 1937; same daily rates for 7 hours as was paid for 8 hours; complete checkoff; a form of equalization of work. The agreement runs until April 30, 1938.

HAZELTON, Pa.—Delegates of the 3 anthracite districts of the United Mine Workers ratified